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ST. JOHN'S, Ohio City,
ST. JAMES, Painesville,
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ST. MATTHEW'S, Perry,
ST. JAMES', Piqua,
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ST. PETER'S, Rome,
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GRACE, Sandusky City,
CHRIST, Springfield, Clarke Co.,
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ST. THOMAS', St. Clairsville,
ST. PAUL'S, Steubenville,
ST. PHILIP'S, Strongsville,
TRINITY, Toledo,
TRINITY, Troy,
ST. MICHAEL'S, Unionville,
EPIPHANY, Urbana,
ST. JOHN'S, Wakeman,
CHRIST, Warren,
ST. JAMES', Wooster,
ST. JOHN'S, Worthington,
ST. JAMES', Zanesville.

TOTAL — 77.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

[An asterisk * is prefixed to the names of those not entitled to seats in the Convention. Those marked thus † were not present at the Convention.]

The Right Reverend Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. Eli Adams, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Euclid, and St. Philip's, Strongsville.

*†The Rev. Joseph Adderley, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield.

†The Rev. William W. Arnett, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

*†The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D.D., residing in Cincinnati.

The Rev. Norman Badger, Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

*The Rev. Andrew D. Benedict, Deacon.

*†The Rev. Hiram N. Bishop, Deacon.

The Rev. Alfred Blake, Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and Missionary.

The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, D.D., President of Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. John T. Brooke, D.D., Professor of Pastoral Divinity and Sacred Rhetoric in the Theological Seminary, and Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

The Rev. John L. Bryan, residing at Granville.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

†The Rev. LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. E. H. CANFIELD, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

†The Rev. ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

†The Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D.D., President of St. John's College, Cincinnati.

The Rev. J. W. CRACRAFT, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.

†The Rev. G. S. DAVIS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. GEORGE DENISON, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Missionary.

†The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON DUBOIS, Rector of Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

*†The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

*†The Rev. JOHN FOSTER, Deacon, residing at Dayton.

The Rev. LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of Christ Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

†The Rev. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

*†The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, officiating at Penfield and Liverpool.

The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. ALVAH GUION, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and Missionary.

The Rev. JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

*†The Rev. ALBERT HELFENSTEIN, residing at St. Mary's.

†The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector of Trinity Church, Jefferson, and St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and Missionary.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

†The Rev. Charles F. Lewis, Chaplain and Tutor in St. John's College, Cincinnati.

*The Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphey, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's, Madison, and Missionary.

*†The Rev. J. J. McElhinney.

The Rev. William Miller, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, and Missionary.

†The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steuben ville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

The Rev. Rodolphus K. Nash, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Grace Church, Berkshire.

†The Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

*†The Rev. Henry Payne, residing at Piqua.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.

*†The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, residing in Cleveland.

*The Rev. Henry L. Richards, residing in Columbus.

The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Rector of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. Thomas M. Smith, Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, at Gambier.

The Rev. Charles B. Stout, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.

The Rev. George B. Sturges, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, and Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

†The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan.

†The Rev. OLIVER TAYLOR, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

*The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON, Missionary.

†The Rev. DUDLEY A. TYNG, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Columbus.

†The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

*†The Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE, Missionary in Cincinnati.

*†The Rev. HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Toledo.

†The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

The Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev M. T. C. WING, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Total—70.

The Rev. JOHN UFFORD, from the Diocese of Virginia, was present during the sittings of the Convention.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION,*

HENRY B. CURTIS, ESQ.,

MOUNT VERNON.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION,

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

GRANVILLE.

* It will be seen by reference to a subsequent page, that Mr. Curtis declined a re-election, and that the present Treasurer is Dr. WM. WOOD, of Cincinnati.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION.

[Those marked with an asterisk * were not present in the Convention, although their credentials were received.]

St. Peter's Church, Ahstabula,	Wells Blakslee,* Lorenzo Tyler,* Roger W. Griswold.
Grace Church, Berkshire,	D. S. Sherman,* J. P. Crawford, J. Cooper.
St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe,	Jas. S. Swearengen, Henry B. Swearengen,* Albert Douglas.
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	W. K. Bond, W. Van Hamm, James Hall.
St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati,	S. W. Pomeroy, Wm. Wood, D. K. Cady.
Trinity Church, Cincinnati,	Wm. S. Drummond, Thomas Longworth,* Mr. Todd.*
St. Philip's Church, Circleville,	Wm. McColloch, Joseph G. Doddridge.
Grace Church, Cleveland,	E. F. Punderson, D. E. Field,* J. F. Jenkins.*
Trinity Church, Cleveland,	Hamilton Smith,* John White,* Levi Buttles.
St. Paul's Church, Columbus,	Fitch James Matthews, Charles R. Britton, Douglass Case.
Trinity Church, Columbus,	J. R. Swan, A. H. Pinney, Walter Thrall.
St. Peter's Church, Delaware,	Caleb Howard, Wm. Owsten, Wm. D. Heim.
St. John's Church, Dover,	Clark Smith.*

Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	John Clements, M. White, A. G. Scott.
St. Luke's Church, Granville,	Wm. S. Richards,* Levi Rose, Jas. S. Sawer.
Christ Church, Hudson,	C. J. Buckingham.
St. James' Church, Kingston,	Elias Benton, Amos Benton.*
St. Timothy's Church, Massillon,	Kent Jarvis, J. L. Reynolds, C. K. Skinner.*
St. Luke's Church, Milan,	Alex. McClure,* Wm. F. Dean,* John P. Worstell.*
St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon,	E. Alling, R. Phillips, C. Fuller.
Trinity Church, Newark,	Israel Dille, H. N. Stafford,* Wm. Richards.*
St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,	Eben Boalt, Platt Benedict,* Jas. D. Whitney.*
St. James' Church, Piqua,	M. G. Mitchell, A. C. Alexander, Joel Allen.*
All Saints' Church, Portsmouth,	Washington Kinney, Peter Kinney, Samuel S. Fuller.
Christ Church, Springfield,	Wm. Coles, Alex. Garrett, Chandler Robbins.
St. Paul's Church, Steubenville,	John H. Veirs,* Abner L. Frazer.*
Epiphany Church, Urbana,	Abraham Robinson,* Wm. F. Slater.
St. John's Church, Worthington,	S. A. Bacon, C. E. Burr, M. S. Wilkinson.*
St. James' Church, Zanesville,	Jas. Caldwell, Wm. F. Kent, H. B. Young—79.

Note by the editor.—There are in the Diocese, at the present time, [September, 1848] 77 organized Parishes in union with the Convention, and 70 resident Clergy. 29 Parishes were represented in the present Convention, by the appointment of 79 Lay Delegates, of whom 53 were in attendance. Of the 70 Clergy in the Diocese, (54 of whom are entitled to seats,) 43 were in attendance, and 38 of these entitled to seats.

JOURNAL.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS,
Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1848.

THIS being the time and place for the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in Trinity Church, at 10½ o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City; Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon, read the Lessons, and the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, read the Ante-communion service.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, from Isaiah xxxii. 20: "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters."

Divine Service being ended, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop, who then presented the following list of Clergymen as entitled by the Constitution to seats in the present Convention:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D.,

Rev. E. Adams,	Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.,
Rev. W. W. Arnett,*	Rev. J. L. Bryan,
Rev. N. Badger,	Rev. E. Burr,
Rev. A. Blake,	Rev. L. Burton,*
Rev. J. A. Brayton,	Rev. E. H. Canfield,
Rev. J. B. Britton,	Rev. A. Clark,*
Rev. A. Bronson,	Rev. C. Colton, D.D.,*
Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	Rev. J. W. Cracraft,

* Those marked thus not present at the Convention.

Rev. G. S. Davis,*
Rev. G. Denison,
Rev. A. F. Dobb,
Rev. T. B. Dooley,
Rev. G. W. Dubois,*
Rev. A. Edwards,
Rev. C. W. Fitch,
Rev. L. N. Freeman,
Rev. W. C. French,
Rev. G. D. Gillespie,*
Rev. R. Gray,
Rev. A. Guion,
Rev. J. Hall,
Rev. H. Hollis,*
Rev. L. L. Holden,
Rev. C. F. Lewis,*
Rev. A. T. McMurphey,
Rev. W. Miller,
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Rev. J. Muenscher,
Rev. R. K. Nash,
Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D.,*
Rev. A. Phelps,
Rev. A. Sanford,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,
Rev. T. M. Smith,
Rev. C. B. Stout,
Rev. G. B. Sturges,
Rev. D. W. Tolford,*
Rev. J. R. Taylor,
Rev. O. Taylor,*
Rev. D. A. Tyng,*
Rev. A. Varian,*
Rev. A. Wheeler,*
Rev. L. Windsor,
Rev. M. T. C. Wing,
Rev. E. Winthrop.
—54.

The list of Parishes being called by the Secretary of the last Convention, the certificates of their Lay Delegates were directed to be laid on the table, and the Chair appointed the following persons the Committee of Examination: Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rev. J. Rice Taylor, and Mr. Charles J. Buckingham.

The Chair also appointed the following a Committee on Unfinished Business: Rev. Edward Winthrop and Mr. E. Alling.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Secretary. On motion of Rev. Mr. Winthrop, balloting was dispensed with, and the Rev. William C. French, Secretary of the last Convention, having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock, P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer proceeded to business.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy.

The Rev. J. Muenscher, from the Committee on Examination of Credentials of Lay Delegates, made the following

Report.

The Committee of Examination have attended to the duty assigned them, and beg leave to report, that on an examination of the certificates and documents laid before them, they find that the following persons have been canonically elected Lay Delegates to this Convention, viz: from

Trinity Church, Newark	Israel Dille, H. N. Stafford,* Wm. Richards.*
Trinity Church, Columbus	J. R. Swan, A. H. Pinney, Walter Thrall.
St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon	E. Alling, C. Fuller, R. Phillips.
Christ Church, Cincinnati	W. K. Bond, W. Van Hamm, James Hall.
St. Luke's Church, Milan	W. F. Dean,* John P. Worstell,* Alex. McClure.*
St. Paul's Church, Steubenville	John H. Veirs,* Abner L. Frazer.*
St. Paul's Church, Columbus	Fitch James Matthews, Chas. R. Britton, Douglass Case.
Christ Church, Hudson	Chas. J. Buckingham.
St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe	Jas. S. Swearengen, H. B. Swearengen,* Albert Douglas.
St. Luke's Church, Granville	Wm. S. Richards,* Levi Rose, James S. Sawer.
St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati	S. W. Pomeroy, Wm. Wood, D. K. Cady.
Grace Church, Berkshire	D. S. Sherman,* J. P. Crawford, J. Cooper.
Christ Church, Springfield	Wm. Coles, Alex. Garrett, Chandler Robbins.

* Those marked thus were not present at the Convention.

St. John's Church, Worthington	S. A. Bacon, M. S. Wilkinson,* C. E. Burr.
St. James' Church, Piqua	M. G. Mitchell, A. C. Alexander, Joel Allen.*
Harcourt Parish, Gambier	John Clements, M. White, A. G. Scott.
St. James' Church, Zanesville	James Caldwell, Wm. F. Kent, H. B. Young.
All Saints' Church, Portsmouth	Washington Kinney, Samuel S. Fuller, Peter Kinney.
St. Peter's Church, Delaware	C. Howard, Wm. Owsten, Wm. D. Heim.
St. Paul's Church, Norwalk	Eben Boalt, Platt Benedict,* James D. Whitney.*
St. James' Church, Kingston	Elias Benton, Amos Benton.*
St. Timothy's Church, Massillon	Kent Jarvis, J. L. Reynolds, C. K. Skinner.*
Grace Church, Cleveland	E. F. Punderson, D. E. Field,* J. F. Jenkins,*
St. Philip's Church, Circleville	Wm. McColloch, Joseph G. Doddridge.

The Committee further report, that the following new Parishes have complied with the provisions of the Canon on the admission of new Parishes, and they hereby recommend their admission into union with this Convention, viz: Grace Church, Pomeroy, Meigs Co.; Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, Champaign Co.; Immanuel Church, Roscoe, Coshocton Co.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER,
J. RICE TAYLOR,
C. J. BUCKINGHAM,
Committee.

The names of the Lay Delegates were then called by the Secretary, and those present answered to their names as above.

On motion, the new parishes named in the report of the Committee, were received into union with the Convention, and the following additional delegates reported:

Church of the Epiphany, Urbana	Abraham Robinson,* Wm. F. Slater.

The Chair appointed the following Standing Committees:

Committee of Finance.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Mr. D. K. Cady, and Mr. M. White.

Committee on Missions.—Rev. E. Burr, Rev. J. B. Britton, and Mr. C. Howard.

Committee on Canons.—Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Dr. Bronson, Mr. J. S. Swearengen, and Mr. W. Van Hamm.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual

Address:

To the Members of the Convention
of the Diocese of Ohio:

Brethren: Permitted by the good providence of our Heavenly Father once again to meet one another in our Annual Convention, I proceed to such a synopsis of my official acts since we last met, and such observations on the state of the Diocese as the Canons require of me on this occasion.

My visitations since the last Convention have embraced the following parishes, which I mention in the order in which they were visited, viz: Zion Church, Dresden; St. Matthew's, Madison; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. Matthew's, Perry; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; St. James', Piqua; All Saints', Portsmouth; Grace, Pomeroy; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. Stephen's, East Liverpool; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Paul's, Steubenville; St. Luke's, Granville; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. Paul's, Akron; Christ Church, Hudson; Bethel, Boston; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; St. Timothy's, Massillon; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.; St. Matthew's, St. Clairsville; St. James', Zanesville; Trinity, Newark; St. John's, Lancaster; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. James', Kingston; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. Luke's, Milan; Trinity, Lyme; St. John's, Wakeman; St. Paul's, Euclid; St. James', Painesville; St. Michael's, Unionville; St. Peter's, Ashtabula; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; Trinity, Jefferson; St. Peter's, Rome; St. Paul's, Hartsgrove; Christ Church, Warren; St. Stephen's, Canfield; St. James', Boardman; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; Harcourt

Parish, Gambier, a second time; Trinity, Columbus; St. Paul's, Columbus; Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co.; St. Peter's, Delaware; Grace Church, Berkshire; St. John's, Worthington.

During the whole year, until the 15th of last month, I have had charge of Christ Church, Cincinnati, while the vestry were making arrangements for the permanent occupancy of the parish. But you will see, by comparing the visitations of the year with those of former years, that diocesan claims have not been interfered with by local connections. But for the duty of spending the usual time of visitation in the fall at the General Convention, the number of parishes visited this year would probably have much exceeded the number reported for the year preceding.

The Confirmations have been as follows, viz: Zion Church, Dresden, 1; St. Matthew's, Madison, 3; St. Matthew's, Perry, 1; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, 5; St. James', Piqua, 6; All Saints', Portsmouth, 10; St. Luke's, Marietta, 1; St. Stephen's, E. Liverpool, 10; St. Paul's, Steubenville, 14; St. Luke's, Granville, 12; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 13; Christ Church, Hudson, 3; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, 9; St. Timothy's, Massillon, 8; St. John's, Springfield, 3; St. Matthew's, St. Clairsville, 7; St. James', Zanesville, 14; Trinity, Newark, 5; St. James', Kingston, 3; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, 13; St. Luke's, Milan, 7; St. Paul's, Euclid, 3; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, 13; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, 3; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 11; Trinity, Columbus, 11; St. Paul's, Columbus, 3; St. Peter's, Delaware, 4; St. John's, Worthington, 3—in all, 207.

Since my Address to the last Convention, eight Deacons have been admitted to the order of Presbyters, viz: Rev. George Washington Dubois, Rev. George Thompson, Rev. Wm. Miller, Rev. Oliver Taylor, Rev. Charles F. Lewis, Rev. J. W. Cracraft, Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, and Rev. Lewis Burton. All but the last two, were ordained at the close of the last Convention. Four Candidates for Orders have been ordained Deacons, viz: R. K. Nash and Eli Adams, (both ordained at the close of the last Convention,) Hiram N. Bishop and Andrew D. Benedict.

The number of Candidates for Orders at the present time is eight, viz: R. S. Nash, T. S. Goodwin, Chandler Robbins, E. H. Cumming,

E. A. Strong, E. W. Hagar, John B. Boyd, and John Cotton Smith. R. McMurdy, admitted a candidate since the last Convention, has been transferred to the Diocese of Kentucky.

Seven new Churches have been consecrated, viz: St. Matthew's, Madison; St. James', Piqua; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson County; St. Luke's, Milan; St. John's, Wakeman, and Trinity, Lyme.

Three new Parishes have been organized and duly reported to me during the last year, viz: Church of the Epiphany, Urbana; Immanuel Church, Roscoe, and Grace Church, Pomeroy.

There have been received into this Diocese from other Dioceses, by letters dimissory, the Rev. J. A. Brayton, from New York, who is in charge of St. James', Painesville; the Rev. J. Woodward, (who in infirm health resided a short time in Dayton and has since taken letters dimissory to Pennsylvania,) from Georgia; the Rev. Joseph M. Waite, from Connecticut, who has since been laboring as a Missionary in Cincinnati; the Rev. Lester Janes, from Pennsylvania; the Rev. John J. McElhinney, who has since been in charge of St. Paul's, Akron, from Pennsylvania; the Rev. Joseph Adderley, who is now in charge of the Parishes in Boardman and Canfield, from Pennsylvania; the Rev. Henry B. Wallbridge, who is in charge of Trinity Church, Toledo, from Western New York; the Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel, who is in charge of St. Paul's, Columbus, from New Jersey, and the Rev. Thos. B. Fairchild, who has taken charge of Christ Church, Hudson, from Indiana.

There have left this Diocese, by letters dimissory, the Rev. Edward Lounsberry, gone to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Robert G. Cox, to the Diocese of Toronto, Canada; the Rev. Joseph Mayo, to Illinois; the Rev. Charles Arey, to Western New York; the Rev. William Clotworthy, to Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Richard S. Killin, to Maryland.

The following changes of residence of clegymen have taken place within the Diocese, viz: The Rev. Wm. Granville has resigned the charge of St. Andrew's, Elyria, and St. John's, Dover, and now officiates in the Parishes at Penfield and Liverpool. The Rev. Chas. F. Lewis, has resigned the charge of the Parishes in Canfield and

Boardman, and taken the office of chaplain and tutor in Rugby Hall, a branch of St. John's College, Cincinnati. The Rev. William Miller, has resigned Trinity Church, Troy, continuing in charge of St. Paul's, Greenville. The Rev. Alanson Phelps, has resigned the charge of Christ Church, Hudson, and is now Rector of Bethel Church, Boston. The Rev. H. L. Richards, has been obliged by ill health to relinquish St. Paul's, Columbus. The Rev. Charles B. Stout, has resigned the Parish of St. Philip's, Circleville, and taken charge of the new Parish of the Epiphany, at Urbana. The Rev. Abraham Wheeler, has taken charge of St. Stephen's, Grafton. The Rev. D. W. Tolford, has taken charge of St. Luke's, Marietta.

I attended, in my place, the triennial meeting of the General Convention in October last. Of the proceedings of that body you have had ample means of being informed, so that I need not here advert to them. During the period of the sittings of the Convention there was organized by several of the Bishops, in connection with a large number of Presbyters and Laymen from almost all sections of our Church, a Society, destined, I trust, to do great good in our Zion, called "*The Protestant Episcopal Society for the promotion of Evangelical Knowledge.*" The general object of this Society, as defined in its constitution, is "to maintain and set forth the principles and doctrines of the Gospel, embodied in the Articles, Liturgy and Homilies of the Protestant Episcopal Church, by the publication of Tracts, Sunday School and other Books." The Bishops who may signify their approval of the objects of this Society (which several have emphatically done) are *ex officio* Vice Presidents, and Members of the Board of Directors. The venerable Bishop Meade, of Virginia, is President. It is not at all with a view to having this Convention take any action for the advancement of that Society, that I now speak of it, or for the purpose of introducing it in any way into the deliberations of this body. I have no wish to connect it in any way with our diocesan institutions. It is purely what is called *a voluntary organization*, in distinction from societies established and controlled by our general or diocesan authorities. As such it is precisely similar to the Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union and other Societies of long standing among us, the voluntary character of which has never been objected to. Much as I feel interested in this So-

ciety, I have no desire to see its voluntary character taken away, either in its parent organization or in any of its branches or auxiliaries. I believe we may have as hurtful an extreme in seeking to place all associated efforts of our people for religious usefulness under the control of ecclesiastical bodies, as in having all such efforts entirely independent of ecclesiastical supervision. I had no intention of saying any thing to the Convention concerning this Society, until I saw how it has been assailed, and what singular and most objectionable doctrines have been insinuated, if not directly asserted, as to the right of clergy and laity to form such a Society and to circulate its books in any Diocese of the Church. I know of no shorter way of doing injury to episcopal institutions than such necessarily abortive and impotent attempts to abridge the liberty which our canons leave untouched in the possession of all our laity and clergy. I wish to make no other answer, on the present occasion, to the attacks referred to, than just to say that in company with Bishop Meade, and other Bishops, I had a full share in the organization of the Society from first to last; that for the correctness of its aims, the soundness of its principles, and the usefulness of its future proceedings, no better warrant is needed than the names of those who besides myself were prominent in its formation; and that I take great pleasure in recommending it to the zealous co-operation of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Ohio.

It will be remembered that at the last Convention a resolution was passed that I should be requested to set apart for the Diocese a day of fasting and prayer on account of our national sins, and to prepare a suitable form of prayer to be used by the parishes on that occasion. On reflecting upon the work thus assigned me in connection with the condition of things in the country after the Convention closed, I was led to question very much the expediency of the measure. But unwilling to decline the request of the Convention, on my own single judgment, I requested the opinion of the Standing Committee as my canonical council of advice. They entirely agreed with me that the state of things in the country at that time rendered the measure inexpedient. I therefore did not appoint the day of fasting and prayer, as requested, supposing that the request of this body was not intended to overrule my own judgment under all circumstances.

On the 22d of August, I displaced from the ministry the Rev. Lester Janes, a Deacon, under the provisions of the 38th Canon of the General Convention — having first received from him in writing his declaration that he had relinquished the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church and intended no more to officiate in the same. Mr. Janes, formerly a Methodist minister, was received into this Diocese last winter from that of Pennsylvania. Continuing in Ohio only a few weeks, he returned to the East, and after a short further trial of the ministry in our Church, he retraced his steps and resumed his connection with the denomination he had left.

In the beginning of August, I attended the annual examinations of Kenyon College and of the Diocesan Theological Seminary. All that I witnessed bore favorable testimony to the faithfulness and efficiency of the instructions given by the Professors in those institutions, while a considerable increase in the number of College students for the next term — considerable as compared with the increase at a corresponding period, for some years past — gives encouraging evidence that the College is growing in public favor. The current income of the institution in its several departments, has been sufficient during the year, as during the preceding one, to meet the current demands, so that if we exclude the operation of the new law by which our lands are taxed, nothing has been added to the indebtedness of the Trustees. But it goes no further. The buildings need repair from time to time; and the income is not sufficient to make it; so that at this time the College buildings are suffering great injury for need of timely repair. This difficulty is greatly increased by the operation of the new law of the State relative to taxation, which being interpreted as applying to the lands of the corporation, makes a most burdensome diminution of the income — seriously affecting the value of such property as an endowment to a literary institution, and changing materially, in the minds of many, the footing on which it has hitherto been held. A serious question has hence been forced upon the Trustees, whether the property of the corporation now invested in lands, or any part thereof, should be placed under some other form yielding more income and free from taxation. Realizing the importance of any decision they may make of that question, especially in view of the expectations known to have been very earnestly entertained by the venerable founder of the institution as to the permanent ten-

ure of the lands now possessed, the Trustees, though aware that the final responsibility rests with them, are desirous of obtaining the advice of this body as to the course to be pursued. A committee of the Trustees has therefore been appointed, consisting also of members of this Convention, to lay the case before you and request your opinion. I trust you will give the subject that patient consideration which one of so much importance and delicacy demands.

I am under the painful necessity of laying before you, for such action as you may see proper, the conduct of one of the parishes of the Diocese towards its Bishop. In the year 1846, at a visitation of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, I read to the members of that parish, then assembled in the church, in my official capacity as their Bishop, an address wherein I pointed out what I considered an improper use of the records of the parish, on the part of certain members of the same, for the purpose of giving perpetuity to a very offensive pamphlet which they had recently published. From a meeting of members of the parish and of the persons composing the entire vestry of the same, I afterwards received, in answer to my address, a document of such a character as necessarily suspended all further correspondence on my part with those persons. That document, existing only in manuscript, was succeeded by an official publication, in pamphlet form, entitled "*Remonstrance of the Wardens and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula,*" and addressed to myself as their Bishop. The character of that document, pains having been taken by its authors to have it widely circulated, is well known, at least, to the clergy and many of the laity of this body. I deferred all notice of either of these communications until, in the usual course of my visitations, I should again meet the congregation of St. Peter's, hoping that in the meanwhile something would transpire to make any notice unnecessary. That hope being disappointed, in the month of July, I visited that parish, and after morning prayer and confirmation, I read to the parishioners an official address, with a view of showing them the position in which the course of their vestry had placed the parish in regard to myself as their Bishop. I concluded that address by saying that, in the circumstances then existing, I must decline preaching to them, and that I should visit them no more until the relations between them and their Bishop were rectified. I then de-

sired them to take notice, as I wished to be then considered as giving them formally all due notice, that having done all I could to rectify the state of things and having failed, I knew of no remaining refuge but the Convention of the Diocese; and that I should therefore lay the case before that body at the ensuing session. This notice was given in the church on the 4th day of July last.

There must be an authority somewhere in the Diocese to institute discipline with regard to a parish in its collective character, in which capacity alone it is united to the Diocese as such and is admitted to certain Diocesan privileges. The Bishop in his visitations may admonish a parish, regarded collectively. But beyond that he cannot go. Whether a parish has violated the conditions on which it was admitted into union with the Diocese, is not for the Bishop to decide. That question belongs only to the Convention by which the parish was admitted. And this position of the Convention is decisively set forth by a Canon of the General Convention in regard to an analogous case.

In Canon 33, of 1832, it is provided that if any parish shall dismiss a regularly settled minister without the consent of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, "the vestry of said parish *shall have no right to a representation* in the Convention of the Diocese, *until they have made such satisfaction as the Convention may require.*"

This provision is based upon the consideration that a parish in being admitted into union with the Convention and to the privilege of representation, necessarily places itself under the laws and discipline of the Church. The dismission of a settled minister without consent of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, is a violation of the laws and discipline of the Church. Thus the compact of admission to union with the Convention is violated. The penalty is pronounced to be the forfeiture of the right of representation. The Convention is named as the body to inflict it, and to decide upon the terms on which it may be removed.

A precisely analogous case has, I conceive, occurred in this Diocese. If there be any thing which the discipline of the Church must be considered as being designed to secure, it is that the Bishop of a Diocese in his visitations of the parishes, shall have his official acts

therein recognized and respected by the parishes *as official*, and not treated directly and purposely and professedly as being (to use the words which have been used) "*a mere private affair*," which the parish might *notice or not, respect or not, at its pleasure.**

If there be any thing which the discipline of the Church must be considered as being designed to secure, it is that the Bishop of the Diocese, in his official relations to the parishes, and in the discharge of his official functions amongst them, shall not be treated by a parish, especially by its representative body, the vestry, with gross disrespect and indignity; more especially such disrespect and indignity *printed and published* with no other possible object than to inoculate other minds with the same spirit.

Such is the conduct for which I conceive I am bound now, in justice to the discipline of the Church, and all right regard to my office, to present to this Convention the Parish of St. Peter's, Ashtabula. How I should regard such conduct personally — how much I do care for any such treatment, personally, is one thing. In that view, I may easily say, it has given me no concern. But how I should regard it *officially*, is quite another matter. A blow may do no harm to the object at which it is aimed, while it may be very necessary that he who aimed it should be called to answer for his deed.

Before I conclude my remarks on this subject, I wish to say distinctly that the pamphlet issued by the vestrymen of St. Peter's in 1845, on the subject of the trial of the Bishop of New York, and which led to my address to that parish in my next visitation, complaining of the recording of such a document on the parish records, is not involved either in contents or the declared record thereof, in the present complaint. For though it is formally declared in the caption of that pamphlet, that it was not only "*ordered*" by its signers "*to be entered on the parish records*," but that, "by permission of the wardens and vestrymen," it was published "*from* the records of the Parish of St. Peter's," &c., which connection with the parish books was the point of my complaint; I have been informed only this month, by a committee representing the signers of that paper, more

* See the answer of the Vestrymen of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, to my first address.

than two years after I addressed the parish on the subject, during all which time the pamphlet in its strictures, has been enjoying a degree of importance from its being regarded as making part of the records of one of the oldest parishes of the Diocese, that it *never was entered on those records.*

The complaint now laid before you is founded exclusively upon two documents, (one in manuscript only, the other in print,) which have issued from that parish since the publication of the pamphlet just mentioned; which documents, with the correspondence connected with them, are at the service of the Convention.

Having now occupied enough of your time with this address, I conclude with an affectionate exhortation, that the sacred bonds of brotherly kindness and love may be preserved inviolate in all your deliberations, and that God in all things that you do may be glorified, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE.

On motion of W. K. Bond,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the affairs of St. Peter's Parish, at Ashtabula, be referred to a committee of five, consisting of two clergymen and three laymen, and that said committee be appointed by ballot.

The following persons were nominated as said Committee, and on motion the balloting was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed, viz: Messrs. W. K. Bond, Wm. Wood, and J. S. Swearengen, Rev. W. A. Smallwood and Rev. E. Burr.

The Rev. Mr. Denison on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, presented the following

Memorial:

To the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio:

The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College respectfully ask the advice of the Convention, relative to the propriety of changing a portion of the investments of said Seminary from real to other estate.

GEORGE DENISON,
ISRAEL DILLE,
Committee of the Board.

The same gentleman, in his capacity as member of the Convention, offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The clergy and churches of this Diocese have been officially notified for several weeks last past, through the columns of the "Western Episcopalian and Gambier Observer," that the advice of this Convention would be asked by the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, relative to the propriety of changing a portion of the investments of said Seminary from real to other estate; and

Whereas, That advice is now asked, agreeably to such notice, through a Committee appointed by the Board for that purpose; and

Whereas, This Convention sees no impropriety in giving the advice thus asked, although aware that the power to act is vested in the Board of Trustees alone; therefore

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed, of whom two shall be members of the Board of Trustees and also of this Convention, and three members of this Convention but not of the Board, whose duty it shall be to take this subject into earnest consideration, and report to this Convention at as early an hour as the difficulty and delicacy of so weighty a matter will permit.

W. K. Bond, Esq., moved the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the real estate and affairs of Kenyon College and the Theological School at Gambier, and also the memorial or communication this day submitted on the same subject by the Board of Trustees of said College and School, be referred to a committee of nine, consisting of four clergymen and five laymen; and that said committee be appointed by ballot.

Which was carried unanimously.

The Convention proceeded to the election of the Committee by ballot.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Freeman and Walter Thrall, Esq., tellers.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor Assistant Secretary.

During the progress of the balloting a discussion arose as to the constitutionality of allowing to each lay delegate a separate vote, instead of allowing but one vote to each parish.

The chair decided that the balloting on the part of the lay delegates, as individuals, instead of by parishes, had been un-

constitutional and out of order, but desired that an appeal might be taken, so as to leave the decision of the question in the judgment of the house.

Such an appeal was accordingly taken, pending the decision of which,

It was resolved to adjourn till to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 14, 8 o'clock, A. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after devotional exercises, proceeded to business.

The rolls of Clergy and Laity were called by the Secretary, and yesterday's minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Examination of Credentials reported the following additional Lay Delegates: from

Trinity Church, Cleveland	Hamilton Smith,*
	John White,*
	Levi Buttles.
Trinity Church, Cincinnati	Wm. S. Drummond,
	Thos. Longworth,*
	Mr. Todd.*
St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula	Wells Blakslee,*
	Lorenzo Tyler,*
	Roger W. Griswold.

The question before the house being the appeal from the decision of the Chair on the constitutionality of the manner of voting for a Committee on the affairs of the Theological Seminary, the decision of the Chair was reversed by the following vote:

Clergy.—Affirmative, 4; Negative, 29.

Laity.—Affirmative, 4; Negative, 41.

The tellers were then directed to declare the vote.

It appearing that only a portion of the persons nominated had received a sufficient number of votes to elect, on motion, it was resolved that further balloting be dispensed with, and that the four clergymen and five laymen who had received the highest number of votes be declared elected, viz:

OF THE CLERGY.	OF THE LAITY.
Rev. Erastus Burr,	Wm. Key Bond,
Rev. Joseph Muenscher,	J. R. Swan,
Rev. Alvah Guion,	Israel Dille,
Rev. M. T. C. Wing.	Caleb Howard,
	William Wood.

Rev. Prof. Smith, on behalf of the Missionary and Education Commitee of the Diocese, presented the following

Report:

In the execution of the trust committed to them, the Missionary and Education Committee have, since the last Convention, made appropriations to six Missionaries, and to six beneficiaries, who have been pursuing their course of preparation in Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary, for the Holy Ministry. Of these beneficiaries, four have completed their preparatory course in the Seminary. Two of them have been recently ordained by the Bishop to the office of Deacons. Of the others, one has been prevented from receiving orders in consequence of sickness, and the other has left the diocese. The Committee would respectfully call the attention of the Convention to the following Sections of Canon XIII. on the subject of Missions and of Education for the Ministry.

"Sec. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a Missionary institution and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the Missionary work; and the education of young men for the Ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work,—it is solemnly urged upon each member of the Church, that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

"Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every Minister in this diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the Apostolic direction, 1 Cor. xvi. 1."

The Committee are persuaded that if the clergy and the members of our churches would act in the spirit of these injunctions, a much larger number of young men of suitable qualifications would be found, who by the blessing of God might be prepared, with such aid as the Committee could render, to labor in the vineyard with those who now bear the burden and heat of the day, or to take the place of those who may not continue by reason of death.

An account of the receipts and expenditures will be furnished by the Treasurer. The Committee are gratified in being able to state, that there has been a considerable advance in the receipts when compared with those of the last year; and that although occasionally

straitened for funds to meet their appropriations, they find themselves at the close of the conventional year in a condition to fulfil all their obligations to the missionaries and beneficiaries; and to discharge in part, if not entirely, the debt which was due at the last Convention. From the report of the Treasurer it will appear, that of the amount pledged at the last Convention but about two-thirds have been paid; and that of the pledges made two years ago of $5 annually for five years, a still smaller amount has been received. Had the Committee in reliance on these pledges proceeded to the appointment of as many Missionaries as the amount pledged would have warranted, they would have incurred a responsibility, which they had not the ability to meet. Had these pledges been promptly redeemed, they might have occupied many a promising field of usefulness, which must now be suffered to lie waste for want of Missionary labor.

In concluding their report, the Committee would affectionately urge upon the Convention, the importance of giving a greater prominence to the Missionary work in our own Diocese. They cannot doubt, that while there is yet much land to be possessed, there is sufficient ability on the part of our churches to furnish the means to build up all the waste places of our Zion, and to establish a church in every village, where the members of our own household of faith may be gathered into our own fold; and where by the blessing of God upon the faithful labors of our Missionaries, sinners in great numbers may be converted to God.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. SMITH,
Secretary.

Which was accepted and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following

Report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report that upon pages 12–13 of the Journal of 1847 is a substitute proposed by the Rev. Mr. Muenscher, for Article III of the Constitution, upon which no action has been taken.

Also, on page 31, the appointment of a Committee of Equalization on the assessments of the parishes, which Committee was to report at this Convention.

EDWARD WINTHROP,
E. ALLING,
Committee.

Which was received, and the Committee discharged.

Rev. Abraham Bronson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be directed to inquire whether there is any inconsistency between different Articles of the

Constitution of this Convention, and if so, to devise some remedy for the same.

Which was carried, and the reference made.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood moved that the following communication signed by Gen. Goddard, be read, and referred to the Committee on the affairs of the Theological Seminary, which was accordingly done:

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, in session at Columbus:

I have been requested by the Right Rev. Philander Chase, Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois, to make known his earnest opposition to the sale of the south section of the lands originally purchased by him for the use of Kenyon College.

Bishop Chase regards such sale as a violation of some of the conditions upon which the College was founded, which may result in a forfeiture of what he and others bestowed. I have not the means at hand of forming an opinion upon the legal question involved, and do not doubt it will be most carefully considered by those with whom may rest the responsibility of its solution; but apart from this, and supposing that no forfeiture can attach upon an alienation of the College domain, yet if its retention and permanent connection with the College were evidently the desire of those who founded it, is it morally right to disregard their wishes? Above all, shall the earnest remonstrance of Bishop Chase be lightly passed over? He was the founder of Kenyon College. To it he devoted his pecuniary means — his bodily labor — his mental energies.

CHARLES B. GODDARD.

ZANESVILLE, *September*, 1848.

Rev. Dr. Bronson offered a resolution that the Trustees of said Seminary be requested to furnish said Committee with any papers or information they may desire for throwing light on the subject under consideration; which was carried.

It was moved that when this Convention adjourns for divine service, it adjourn till 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met. After devotional services, the roll was called and the Convention proceeded to business.

W. K. Bond, Esq., on behalf of the Committee on the Theological Seminary, presented the following preliminary

Report:

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the affairs of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, have had the matter under consideration, but not having full information in the premises, they beg leave respectfully to report in part as follows:

The papers submitted to the Committee are too imperfect to justify any action upon them; and in order to obtain full information in the premises, the Committee respectfully report and ask the Convention to adopt the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary at Gambier be and they are hereby requested to furnish to this Convention, information on the following points:

1st. The entire debt of the Institution.

2d. The names of all creditors whose claims equal or exceed $500.

3d. The time when each debt was contracted; by whom, under what authority, and for what consideration.

4th. The total income of the Institution; stating the income from real estate, and from tuition, and all other sources, separately.

5th. The total amount of the regular annual expenses of the Institution, giving the leading items of the same; the names of the professors, tutors, agents, and other officers of the Institution; the amount of the salaries of each; the nature of their respective duties, and the time usually occupied by each daily in their official duties; the amount of annual interest and taxes paid or liable to be paid by the Institution; and the probable expenses of repairs, and what repairs are necessary.

6th. The amount of all collections within and out of the state of Ohio, made within the last five years, for the benefit of the Institution, and in what manner have the same been used or applied.

7th. Have any resolutions or orders been passed by the Board of Trustees, prohibiting the creation of further debt; and if so, when and what were they?

8th. Do not the Trustees design to sell the land to pay debts, as well as to seek new investments?

9th. The title deeds and all information connected with the real estate, showing what power exists with the Trustees to sell the same.

10th. All other and further information which the Trustees may think proper to communicate, as useful in aiding the Committee to form a just conclusion in the premises.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Which was received, and the Board of Trustees were requested to furnish the desired information.

The Bishop appointed a meeting of said Board of Trustees at half-past two in the basement of the Church.

On motion, those members of the Convention who are also members of the Board, had leave of absence.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, and another from the Warden of the Ohio Penitentiary, inviting the members of the Convention to visit those institutions; in reference to which invitations, W. Thrall, Esq. offered the following, which was adopted:

The Superintendent of the Ohio Lunatic Asylum and the Warden of the Ohio Penitentiary, having very politely invited the members of this Convention to visit those institutions; therefore,

Resolved, That the invitations be respectfully accepted, and the thanks of the Convention be cordially tendered to said Superintendent and Warden.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to furnish a copy of these resolutions to said Superintendent and Warden, and inform them that they will be pleased to avail themselves, separately, not as a body, of the opportunity to visit said institutions in the course of this week.

The report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee was called for and was read informally as far as ready.

The Parochial Reports were called for and laid on the Secretary's table. [See Appendix A.]

W. Van Hamm offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the election for Delegates to the General Convention be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, and that a Committee be appointed to nominate candidates.

Rev. Prof. Smith moved an amendment proposing that all the Standing Committees be elected at the same time; and the resolution so amended was adopted.

The Bishop appointed the following persons said Committee: Rev. C. W. Fitch, Rev. E. H. Canfield and W. Van Hamm.

It was moved that a committee be appointed to nominate all the Standing Committees.

The Bishop appointed the following persons said committee, viz: Rev. A. Guion, Rev. Prof. Smith, and W. Thrall.

Dr. Wood, on behalf of the Sunday School Committee, presented the following

Report:

The Books belonging to the Columbus Depository have been in one of the bookstores of that city during the year. The Committee are not informed to what extent sales have been made.

The stock of the Cincinnati Depository has been exposed for sale until within a few weeks. Effort will be used to make such a disposition of the property as will secure sales. The latter depository is indebted to H. Hooker, Philadelphia, $67 67. About the same amount is owing by the Cleveland Depository to the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union. The debt is for books furnished several years since; and it is hoped that during the ensuing year some effort will be made for its discharge.

With a view to making known the condition of our Sunday Schools and increasing interest in this department of benevolence, it is respectfully suggested to the Clergy and Superintendents of Schools, to publish reports of the Schools under their charge in the Diocesan paper.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE.

Which was accepted.

It was moved that a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a Diocesan paper. Carried.

The Bishop appointed the following persons said committee, viz: Rev. A. F. Dobb, Rev. A. Guion and Dr. Wood.

The Committee appointed to nominate Delegates to the General Convention reported the following names:

Of the Clergy.—Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., Rev. G. Denison, Rev. J. Muenscher.

Of the Laity.—W. K. Bond, C. Delano, M. G. Mitchell, C. Howard.

Which was received.

On motion, it was resolved that the next Convention be held in Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Rev. Prof. Dobb, from the Committee on Diocesan paper, made the following

Report:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a Diocesan Paper, respectfully report: That they

are deeply impressed with the importance of having such an organ of communication in the west, and think such a one should be liberally patronized. They have learned with regret that the paper now published at Gambier cannot be sustained as an individual enterprize without loss, unless the clergy and laity of the Diocese take a deeper interest in it, and use their influence more efficiently to extend its circulation, and they therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this convention take the Western Episcopalian and Gambier Observer under its own control, and appoint a committee to superintend its publication.

Which was received and laid on the table.

H. B. Curtis, Esq., was nominated to fill the place in the Board of Trustees, occasioned by the resignation of J. L. Reynolds, Esq.

The ballot was dispensed with and the nomination unanimously confirmed.

The report of the Committee on Diocesan paper was then taken up.

Rev. Mr. Britton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Convention commend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese, and advise the appointment of an agent to obtain subscribers.

Which was amended by a motion that the clergy be requested to act as agents, and then passed.*

Rev. Mr. Guion, as Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported the following:

For Standing Committee.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D., Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., C. Delano, M. W. Stamp, Dr. H. L. Thrall.

For Trustees of the Episcopate Fund.—W. K. Bond, D. K. Este, S. P. Chase.

For Sunday School Committee.—Rev. G. D. Gillespie, Rev. G. W. Dubois, Rev. A. Blake, Dr. W. Wood, W. Van Hamm, J. R. Swan.

For Missionary and Education Committee.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D., Rev. N. Badger, Rev. T. M. Smith, E. Alling, M. W. Stamp, Dr. H. L. Thrall, M. White.

Which was received, and the Committee discharged.

* An effort was made during the Convention to raise funds for the purchase of a new printing-press, to be the property of the Theological Seminary, and by the liberal contributions of the members of the Convention, a sufficient amount was secured.

Henry B. Curtis, Esq., the Treasurer of the Diocesan Convention, then read his annual

Report:

REPORT OF HENRY B. CURTIS, Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio, to the 31st Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of said Diocese.

The undersigned, Treasurer, submits to the Convention the following Report, showing in tabular form, and (as to location,) in alphabetical order, the names of the several parishes; the amount paid by each parish during the year, and the present arrears. The two funds stated separately:

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Am'nt paid.	Amount in arrears.	Am't paid	Amount in arrears.
	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	20 00	70 00	5 00	15 00
Akron, St. Paul's	25 00	35 00	-------	8 00
Berkshire, Grace	10 00	46 00	2 00	3 00
Boardman, St. James'	15 00	-------	-------	2 00
Boston, Bethel	8 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Cincinnati, Christ	250 00	-------	50 00	-------
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150 00	-------	30 00	-------
Cincinnati, Trinity	20 00	-------	5 00	-------
Cincinnati, Grace	-------	26 00	-------	20 00
Cleveland, Trinity,	15 00	186 00	12 00	20 00
Cleveland, Grace	-------	55 00	-------	7 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's	40 00	-------	10 00	-------
Columbus, Trinity	71 00	19 00	10 00	10 00
Columbus, St. Paul's	38 00	-------	10 00	-------
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	75 00	15 00	15 00	-------
Canfield, St. Stephen's	-------	8 00	-------	2 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25 00	-------	5 00	-------
Circleville, St. Philip's	45 00	8 00	8 00	-------
Centreville, St. David's	6 00	4 00	2 00	-------
Columbia, St. Luke's	6 00	-------	2 00	-------
Cross Creek, St. James'	20 00	-------	5 00	-------
Delaware, St. Peter's	50 00	-------	8 00	-------
Deersville, St. Alban's	-------	10 00	-------	2 00
Dayton, Christ	-------	101 00	-------	59 00
Dover, St. John's	-------	25 00	-------	7 00
Dresden, Zion	-------	8 00	-------	2 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's	-------	38 00	-------	10 00
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	2 00	-------	1 00	-------

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.
	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.
Euclid, St. Paul's		5 00		1 00
Franklin, Christ		15 00		7 00
Granville, St. Luke's	20 00		4 00	
Gambier, Harcourt	41 00	29 00	6 60	3 40
Greenville, St. Paul's	3 00	2 00		10 00
Grafton, St. Stephen's		5 00		3 00
Huron, Christ	5 30	7 70		2 00
Hudson, Christ		15 00		4 00
Hamilton, St. Matthew's		10 00		2 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	1 50			
Jefferson, Trinity	5 00		1 00	
Kingston, St. James'	3 00		1 00	
Lyme, Trinity	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00
Liverpool, Christ		3 00		2 00
Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's		33 50		4 00
Lancaster, St. John's	2 00		1 00	
Marietta, St. Luke's		25 00		5 00
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	34 00	21 00	5 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's	35 00			5 00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	10 00		2 00	5 00
Medina, St. Paul's	45 00		5 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's		10 00		2 00
Maumee, St. Paul's	5 00	70 00	1 00	11 00
Milan, St. Luke's	5 00		1 00	
Middlefield, St. James'	10 00			
Newark, Trinity	40 00		10 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35 00		6 00	
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	20 00		5 00	
Ohio City, St. John's	19 00	40 00		36 00
Painesville, St. James'	20 00	50 00		11 00
Piqua, St. James'	55 00		10 00	
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60 00		10 00	
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5 00		1 00	
Penfield, Christ		2 00		3 00
Pittsfield, Calvary		4 00		2 00
Rome, St. Peter's	2 50	50		4 00
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ	10 00		2 00	
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50 00	59 00	10 00	
Strongsville, St. Philip's		60 00		7 00
Sandusky City, Grace	45 00		5 00	
Springfield, Jeff. co., St. John's	10 00		2 00	
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	5 00		1 00	

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.
	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.
Sydney, St. Mark's		4 00		
Troy, Trinity	7 00	9 50		24 50
Toledo, Trinity		65 00		10 00
Unionville, St. Michael's	2 00	4 00		44 00
Worthington, St. John's	10 00	3 00	2 00	6 50
Warren, Christ		30 00		4 00
Wooster, St. James'		15 00		3 00
Wakeman, St. John's	6 25		2 00	5 00
Windsor, Christ		8 00		4 00
Zanesville, St. James'	45 00	40 00	24 00	
Roscoe, Immanuel	5 00		1 00	
	1,553 78	1,344 20	291 60	459 40

STATEMENT No. 1.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

THE TREASURER DR.

To total amount paid in during the current year ------- $1,553 78

CONTRA CR.

By amount paid to the Bishop as pr. his receipts, viz: one receipt for	$767 78	
One receipt for	766 00	
One receipt for	20 00	
		$1,553 78

STATEMENT No. 2.

Amount of Bishop's salary	$2,000 00	
Amount Balance due him last year	285 94	
		$2,285 94
Total amount paid him as above during the year		1,553 78
Present deficit		$732 16

STATEMENT No. 3.

GENERAL FUND.

THE TREASURER DR.

To whole amount collected during the year	$291 60

CONTRA CR.

By sundry payments, as pr. vouchers exhibited	$291 60

STATEMENT No. 4.

ARREARS.

Present amount of arrears on Episcopate Fund	$1,344 20
do. do. General Fund	459 40

LIST OF OUTSTANDING DEBTS, as far as known, against the General Fund, viz:

Balance due Rev. Mr. French on his salary	$18 63
Amount due Dr. Brooke, expenses to Gen'l Convention,	40 00
Amount due Rev. E. Burr, bal. on do.	25 00
Amount due Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, do.	26 00
Amount due Bishop McIlvaine, Diocesan expenses	79 29
Amount due William B. Thrall, publishing last Journal, $106 00; Pastoral Letter, &c., $26 45	132 45
Amount due Dr. Stamp for money advanced by him to General Convention — dues from this Diocese, including exchange and interest to this date	74 33
Total	$395 70

The undersigned regrets to find the deficit in both funds increasing. The general debt, as well as the debt to the Bishop, is, perhaps, left greater, at the date of this Report, than at any time for several years past.

These deficiencies in the respective funds arise from neglect of many of the parishes to pay the assessments made against them. While many of the parishes are entitled to all praise for their punctuality, others are greatly in arrears. The prompt paying churches ought to be exempt from the reproach of the present debt.

The undersigned, in view of this growing evil, takes leave respectfully to submit to this Convention the propriety of adopting such measures as may have a tendency to correct it. What character or measure of ecclesiastical punishment, if any, should be resorted to, and applied against the delinquent parishes, is for the Convention to

consider and decide. The undersigned is sensible of the difficulties of enforcing *any* penalty. But he would suggest that probably a sufficient corrective might be found, in a rule that would deprive such delinquent parishes of the right of a vote in this Convention, while such delinquency exists.

In some instances complaints are made of excessive assessments; but in all such cases relief might be granted, upon a direct appeal to the Convention.

In submitting this my fifth Annual Report, the undersigned begs leave to express his acknowledgments, for the repeated evidences of the confidence of this Convention, which he has received at the hands of its members; and to say, that a pressure of many other duties imposes upon him the necessity of asking to be excused from further performing the duties of his said office, and to decline a re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY B. CURTIS,
Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

COLUMBUS, *September* 14, 1848.

The Report of the Treasurer was accepted, and on motion of Dr. Wood, amended by W. K. Bond,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and they are hereby respectfully and gratefully tendered to Henry B. Curtis, Esq., for his long-continued, able and faithful services as Treasurer of the Diocesan Convention; and that the Convention further sincerely regret that he finds himself constrained by the pressure of his other engagements now to resign the said office.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate this resolution to the late Treasurer.

Rev. Mr. Freeman moved that a special committee be appointed to take into consideration so much of the Treasurer's Report as relates to the deficiencies in the Episcopate and General Funds, and to recommend such action as in their judgment the case may require.

Which was carried, and the Bishop appointed the following persons said Committee, viz: Rev. Mr. Freeman, Mr. D. K. Cady, and Mr. M. G. Mitchell.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15, 8 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after devotional exercises proceeded to business.

The roll was called; and the Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read, amended, and approved.

The following additional nominations were made for Delegates to the General Convention: Rev. E. Burr, and Rev. C. W. Fitch.

Rev. Dr. Bronson reported that the Trustees of the Theological Seminary were ready to reply to the call of the Committee on the affairs of the Theological Seminary.

On motion, the Report was received and referred to the Committee without reading.

The following is said

Report:

In reply to the several interrogatories embodied in the resolution of the Convention, the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College beg leave to report as follows:

"1ST. The entire debt of the Institution."

ANSWER.

The amount of Bills Payable,		$15,793 85
Scholarship Scrip, (to wit) subscriptions paid in and liable to be refunded in tuition or money,		1,750 00
Total,		$17,543 85
Subject to the following abatement on account of available assets, as follows:		
Bills Receivable, deemed good,	1,000 00	
Balances of Book account,	2,610 00	
Subscriptions still due,	375 00	
		$3,985 00
Balance of debt exhibited by the books,		$13,558 85
Add two years' taxes, not ascertained, (say)		800 00
		$14,358 85
Deduct unsold land in Union Co., given by Dr. Hooe, of Virginia, estimated to be worth		1,000 00
		$13,358 85

"2D. The names of all creditors whose claims equal or exceed $500."

ANSWER.

The debts against the Institution exist in the following form:

To Bp. McIlvaine as Trustee of the Lorillard Fund,---	$5,750 00
Ed. Pierce, Mt. Vernon, in the form of permanent loan,	3,100 00
C. Delano, ------do.---- ------do.--------do.------	1,340 00
Knox Co. Bank, a temporary loan on indivual security,-	1,500 00
Dr. Brooke, as permanent loan,----------	1,000 00
	$12,690 00

The balance of debt exists in the shape of bills payable to sundry individuals—no one, however, amounting to $500. The above loans were either ordered or sanctioned by vote of the Trustees.

"3D. The time when each debt was contracted; by whom, under what authority, and for what consideration."

ANSWER.

As about one half of the present debt is the result of what remained unpaid in 1842–3, when extensive collections were applied to the extinguishment of the then existing debt, and as the books and accounts of the Seminary are not accessible at this time, it is not to be expected that a definite reply should be made to this interrogatory. The remaining portion or other half of the present debt was created during the four or five years succeeding the collections of Bishop McIlvaine, in 1842, and are satisfactorily accounted for in the following general items:

1. The accumulating interest of the previous debt for four years, amounting to about----------	$1,900
2. The expenditures in the completion of Rosse Chapel and Bexley Hall beyond the appropriations,----------	1,500
3. The deficiency of income in 1845, owing especially to the failure of the crops,----------	2,200
4. The annual deficiency of income for the other three years of this period till 1846,----------	3,000
	$8,600

These expenditures were made by the agent for the time being, and have been annually reported to the Board of Trustees, and approved. In the case of the improvements of Rosse Chapel and Bexley Hall, they were made with the sanction of the President of the Board as Prudential Committee.

"4TH. The total income of the Institution; stating the income from real estate and from tuition, and from all other sources, separately."

ANSWER.

To this question the Board reply as follows:

Income from lands and one dwelling house,	$1,550
Rents of dwellings, Milnor Hall, water power, and village lots, (after paying for the ordinary repairs on said property,) about	1,200
Term Bills, &c. (avails of tuition, and room rent in the College,) about	1,800
Total income	$4,550

NOTE.—The estimate of income is as it was last year, which may be increased the ensuing year, probably $200, by the increase of the number of students.

"5TH. The total amount of the regular annual expenses of the Institution, giving the leading items of the same; the names of the professors, tutors, agents, and other officers of the Institution; the amount of the salaries of each; the nature of their respective duties, and the time usually occupied by each daily in their official duties; the amount of annual interest and taxes paid or liable to be paid by the Institution; and the probable expenses of repairs, and what repairs are necessary."

ANSWER.

To the above, the Trustees would reply as follows:

1st. Prof. Smith teaches Systematic Divinity and Biblical Interpretation. Employed three hours per day, and has charge of Bexley Hall. No salary from the Board of Trustees.

2d. Prof. Wing teaches Ecclesiastical History, and Christian and Jewish Antiquities. Employed one hour or more per day, besides his duties as Treasurer and Agent of the Board. Salary $600.

3d. Prof. Brooke lectures on Pastoral Divinity and Pulpit Eloquence, and teaches Rhetoric in College. Employed two hours per day. Compensation from the Board, nothing.

4th. President Bronson teaches Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, Political Economy, and Logic. Employed two hours in instruction, and also in the Seminary he teaches Hebrew and Church Polity, requiring about one hour per day. In addition to the above he performs the duties of Treasurer in the collection of term bills, and of the agency of the College Building, occupying most of his vacations. These in addition to the care of discipline. Salary, nominally $700: only $600 received for want of funds.

5th. Prof. Dobb teaches Latin and Greek four hours per day. Salary $600.

6th. Prof. Thrall teaches Natural Theology, Chemistry—Organic and Inorganic, with its application to the Arts, Mineralogy, and

Geology. Only one hour a day is occupied with his lectures, but more or less time is required in preparation, according to the subject. Salary $500, with an allowance of $100 to supply the Laboratory.

7th. Prof. Ross teaches Mathematics and Natural Philosophy. Employed three hours per day. Salary $800. Each of the above, except Prof. Wing, has the use of a house valued at $100 per annum, Prof. Wing having given up his right to a house to Dr. Brooke.

8th. The Tutor teaches one hour per day, Latin or Greek, with police duty. Salary $150.

The clerical professors and teachers do the parochial duties; for which Dr. Brooke only, having charge of the parish, receives therefrom $100.

In addition to the above, the College officers are liable to be called upon at any and all hours of the day by the duties of discipline.

9th. Interest above $900.

10th. Taxes $400 or more.

11th. Annual expenses of ordinary repairs, incidental expenses of College Building, &c., about $300.

12th. Extra repairs now needed and in progress on College edifice, (re-roofing and painting,) about $500. Do. on Bexley Hall and Bishop's House, $500. Total—$1000.

Summary of ordinary current expenses:

Prof. Wing's Salary	$600
Pres. Bronson's Salary	600
Prof. Dobb's Salary	600
Prof. Ross's Salary	800
Prof. Thrall's Salary, $500, and supply $100	600
The Tutor's Salary	150
Incidental expenses and repairs	300
Interest	900
Taxes	400
	$4,950

For the information of the Committee, it may be well for the Board to state, that the time employed by a College officer is not to be estimated by the time actually spent with his classes. No estimate can be made of the time thus spent, any more than of the time a clergyman spends in preparing for the pulpit. Some of the exercises that last an hour require as much labor as a sermon. Others much less.

Copy of Pres. Bronson's Report to the Board, presented Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1848.

The President of the College begs leave to offer the following report of the state of the Institution under his charge:

From the reports of the other officers it will appear that the course

of instruction laid down has been very fully carried out. As to the discipline, the past has been a year of extraordinary quietness. None have been dismissed, and only one has been suspended.

In the President's course have been studied, Upham's Philosophy, Butler's Analogy, McIlvaine's Evidences, Wayland's Moral Science and Political Economy, Guizot's History of Civilization, Whateley's Logic and Rhetoric, and parts of Campbell and Blair, with lectures by the President. In the Bible have been read on Monday mornings the Gospel of John and the Acts of the Apostles.

The other departments of instruction have been carried on with the energy and ability which ever have characterized the officers at the heads of those departments.

Your President reports that the department of Physics is sadly crippled for want of apparatus. It is maintained respectably, however, by the rare talents of Dr. Thrall, at an expense of labor as great as that bestowed by any other officer, while the compensation is much smaller. Your President proposes that $100 be taken from his own salary and given to Dr. Thrall.

The Preparatory Departments, under the care of Rev. N. Badger, are unusually flourishing. Eighteen candidates for College were brought forward by him, of whom fifteen entered.

The number graduated this year was eleven.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. BRONSON, Pres. K. C.

"6TH. The amount of all collections within and out of the State of Ohio, made within the last five years for the benefit of the Institution, and in what manner have the same been used or applied."

ANSWER.

The total amount collected by Bp. McIlvaine at the east and applied for the benefit of Kenyon College was --	$24,100 00
The whole amount collected in Ohio, including paid on scrip, (of which latter sum nearly $1000 was repaid in tuition,) is----------	7,910 00
	$32,010 00

About $20,000 of these collections were applied to the payment of the old loan of $15,000 in New York and of the interest, and sundry debts due to merchants in Philadelphia and New York, then of some 8 or 10 years' standing. The balance was applied to the extinguishment of a portion of the domestic debt reported in 1842.

"7TH. Have any resolutions or orders been passed by the Board of Trustees, prohibiting the creation of further debt, and if so, when and what were they?"

ANSWER.

At a meeting of the Board at Gambier, Feb. 28, 1844, the following resolution was passed, viz:

"*Resolved*, That the Agent and Treasurer be and he is hereby restricted from creating any new liabilities against the Institution, being entirely confined in the payment of current expenses to the current income, and that he is required to notify the President of this Board whenever a deficiency occurs or is likely to occur."

At a meeting of the Board at Cincinnati, Sept. 7, 1845, the following resolution was passed, viz:

"*Resolved*, That the Trustees have heard with regret that a large and unexpected addition to the debt of the Seminary and College has been created during the last year, and they avail themselves of the occasion to express their emphatic injunction, that no debt or expense (other than such as may be absolutely necessary, such as repairs and the like,) be hereafter created or incurred by any agent of the Trustees, without an order expressly authorizing the same."

The above are the only prohibitory resolutions that appear on the minutes of the Board, as contemplated by Question 7th, since the year 1843.

"8TH. Do not the Trustees design to sell the land to pay debts, as well as to seek new investments?"

ANSWER.

The Trustees *do not* design to appropriate any part of the *principal* received for lands sold, to the payment of existing debts. But out of the *income* arising therefrom, to constitute a sinking fund, which it is believed, will, with good management, in a few years extinguish the debt, in case a considerable portion of the lands should be sold.

"9TH. The title deeds and all information connected with the real estate, showing what power exists with the Trustees to sell the same."

ANSWER.

Not anticipating a call for the title deed of the land belonging to the Institution, it is out of the power of the Board at this time to furnish said deed, or a copy of it, as the same was left in the office of the Treasurer of the Board at Gambier. The Board can state, however, for the information of the Convention, that said land was conveyed in a single deed, by the late William Hogg, to the Institution in its corporate capacity, without limitation or condition of any kind whatever, being a simple deed of conveyance in the usual form.

In relation to the inquiry as to the power of the trustees to sell said land, the Board respectfully refer the Convention to the second section of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio," passed December 24th, 1824, which said section reads as follows:

"SEC. 2. That the present trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate, and shall have

power from time to time to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof, and all other funds of said Seminary, for its benefit and advantage as they shall deem expedient, and shall also have power, in conformity with the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances, for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: Provided the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States or of this State."

"10TH. All other and further information which the Trustees may think proper to communicate, as useful in aiding the Committee to form a just conclusion in the premises.

ANSWER.

The Trustees are informed, by the Faculty of Kenyon College, that the ardent anticipations of Bishop Chase, relative to the moral benefit derivable from great seclusion, have by no means been realized, and it is at least worthy of thought, whether permanent owners of the soil would not be more likely to feel an interest in the place and Institution, than a transient tenantry.

Not one scholar attends any of the departments of the Institution from the tenantry of the Hill—whereas, if the south section were settled by Episcopal families, 40 or 50 might be constantly expected from that source.

The Trustees believe that Kenyon College might be surrounded by a permanent population of great value, as well for its high tone and influence, and its sympathy with the religious principles and aims of the Institution, as for intelligence, cultivated taste and all other qualities of a refined and Christian society, which exert so happy an influence on the minds of youth. The above is not intended to apply to the village population.

The estate in question is appraised at $52,000—that portion of it proposed to be sold, it is thought by good judges will command, if judiciously divided, about $70,000—a sum adequate to a very generous endowment.

No further information occurs to the Board as "useful in aiding the Committee to form a just conclusion in the premises."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. K. Bond, Esq., asked leave of absence for the Committee on the Ashtabula case, which was granted.

Rev. Dr. Brooke nominated Dr. Wm. Wood, of Cincinnati, as Treasurer of the Convention; balloting was dispensed with, and Dr. Wood unanimously elected.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Fitch, it was resolved, that the next

Convention meet on the Wednesday preceding the constitutional day.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following additional Lay Delegate: from

St. John's Church, Dover----------Clark Smith.

Mr. W. S. Drummond moved to reconsider the vote fixing the day of the next Convention for Wednesday.

Rev. Mr. Fitch withdrew the original resolution.

Dr. Wood renewed the resolution, and it was again carried.

Rev. Prof. Dobb proposed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Standing Committee of nine be appointed at each Annual Convention to attend the examinations of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, and report to the next Convention.

Which was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Muenscher proposed the following amendment to Article II of the Constitution:—Strike out the words "on the second Thursday after;" which was approved, and the amendment lies over for the consideration of the next Annual Convention.

On motion it was resolved that when this Convention adjourn for divine service, it adjourn till 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Friday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The roll was called.

The Bishop, in accordance with the 17th rule of order, invited the Rev. John Ufford, from the Diocese of Virginia, to take a seat in the Convention.

The election of a Committee to attend the examinations at Gambier being in order, it was moved that the nomination be made by the Chair. Carried.

The Chair nominated the following persons said Committee:

J. R. Swan,	Rev. G. Denison,
C. Delano,	Rev. W. A. Smallwood,
C. P. Buckingham,	Rev. J. B. Britton,
J. W. Andrews,	Rev. J. Muenscher.
Israel Dille,	

The ballot was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed.

Rev. N. Badger, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, made the following

Report:

N. BADGER, *Treasurer, in account with the Missionary and Education Funds of the Diocese.*

1847–8.			Dr.
To balance on account last year			$224 53
Collection at Convention in Zanesville			159 53
Cincinnati:			
Christ Church	$227 25		
St. Paul's	47 76		
Trinity	23 00		
B. Storer	20 00		
Dr. Worthington	10 00		
N. G. Pendleton	25 00		
Bp. McIlvaine	8 00		
James T. Butler	5 00		
Miss C. S. Drummond	5 00		
Rev. C. F. Lewis	5 00		
			376 01
Columbus:			
Trinity Church	248 18		
Ladies' Missionary Society of do.	16 75		
Rev. D. A. Tyng	5 00		
Rev. H. L. Richards	10 00		
			279 93
Mt. Vernon:			
St. Paul's Church	9 00		
C. P. Buckingham	20 00		
C. Delano	10 00		
M. Mitchell	2 00		
Dr. Stamp	5 00		
			46 00

Gambier :		
Harcourt Parish	$50 00	
Rev. Pres. Bronson	5 00	
Rev. Prof. Smith	5 00	
Rev. N. Badger	5 00	
		$65 00
Zanesville :		
Mrs. Van Buren	5 00	
Mrs. Hollingswood 5, W. Tallant 5	10 00	
Mrs. Goddard 5, J. Granger 5	10 00	
Wm. R. Hazlett 5, H. B. Young 5	10 00	
Rev. W. Smallwood 5, Mrs. Cassell 5	10 00	
Wm. F. Kent 5, T. Convers 4	9 00	
J. Crosby 1, Miss Bowen 1	2 00	
Mrs. Jones 2, Wm. Townsend 1	3 00	
A. Townsend 1, Mrs. Granger 1	2 00	
Mrs. Fracker 2, Mrs. Cushing 10	12 00	
Mrs. Reed 5, Mrs. Van Hamm 5	10 00	
E. E. Fillmore	5 00	
		88 00
Hudson :		
Christ Church	32 00	
Rev. A. Phelps	15 00	
		47 00
Cuyahoga Falls :		
St. John's Church	50 00	
H. B. Tuttle	50 00	
Rev. L. L. Holden	10 00	
		110 00
Medina :		
St. Paul's Church	5 00	
W. H. Canfield 5, Rev. G. S. Davis 5	10 00	
		15 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City		40 00
St. John's Church, Ohio City		10 00
St. Paul's Church, Maumee City		5 00
St. Paul's Church, Cleveland		50 00
St. Matthew's Church, Madison		2 50
Dresden :		
Zion Church	15 00	
Rev. A. T. M'Murphey	5 00	
		20 00
Ladies' Miss. Society of Trinity Church, Newark		25 00
St. Paul's Church, Steubenville		16 50
Christ Church, Huron		3 10
St. John's Church, Wakeman		2 12
Trinity Church, Jefferson		3 00
St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth		2 00
Rev. E. H. Canfield		5 00
Friends in Maryland through Dr. Brooke		100 00

Lady of McConnellsville through Bp. McIlvaine---		$1 00
St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek----------		5 00
Massillon:		
St. Timothy's Church----------	$64 52	
J. L. Reynolds----------	10 48	
		75 00
Piqua:		
St. James' Church----------	50 00	
Dr. Dorsey 5, Mr. Starrett 5 -------	10 00	
G.C. Johnston 5, Mrs. M'Corkle 5---	10 00	
		70 00
Norwalk:		
St. Paul's Church ----------	50 00	
Rev. E. Winthrop----------	5 00	
		55 00
St. Luke's Church, Milan----------		15 00
St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe ----------		90 00
Springfield, Clarke county:		
Christ Church ----------	6 37	
Mr. Coles 5, Mr. Beam 5 ----------	10 00	
		16 37
Portsmouth:		
All Saints' Church----------	100 00	
Washington Kinney ----------	75 00	
		175 00
Granville:		
St. Luke's Church----------	20 00	
Mr. and Mrs. Sawer, each 5--------	10 00	
Rev. J. L. Bryan----------	3 00	
		33 00
Circleville:		
St. Philip's Church----------	20 00	
Sunday School of do.----------	5 00	
Miss Doddridge ----------	5 00	
		30 00
Grafton:		
St. Stephen's Church ----------	5 00	
Rev. A. Wheeler----------	5 00	
		10 00
Total----------		$2,270 59

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By cash paid Rev. A. Wheeler----------	$97 00
Rev. R. Gray----------	148 32
Rev. O. Taylor ----------	50 00
Rev. L. L. Holden ----------	72 00
Rev. H. Hollis----------	100 00
Rev. J. B. Goodwin----------	75 00
Rev. Wm. Miller----------	100 00

By cash paid Rev. A. Bronson	$57 00
Rev. J. R. Taylor	75 00
Rev. A. Guion	300 00
C. B. Stout	74 00
Total to Missionaries	*$1,175 16
Beneficiaries	789 53
Traveling expenses of agents	17 15
Postage	1 25
Balance in Treasury	221 15
College scrip in do.	66 35
Total	$2,270 59

Which was accepted, and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

The Special Committee on so much of the Treasurer's Report as relates to delinquent parishes, made the following

Report:

The Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, as relates to parishes delinquent in the payment of their assessments, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report: That, believing as your Committee does, that in this great question there are principles involved which are of vital importance to the perpetuation of our organization as a Diocese, notwithstanding the delicacy of its character, the importance of the case, in this emergency, calls upon us to recommend to this Convention the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be requested to ascertain, from the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, what per cent. of the whole amount now due from delinquent parishes will be required to liquidate all the debts of the Convention; and that each parish, thus delinquent, be informed by the Secretary of the amount of its indebtedness, and that they be required to pay over to the Treasurer of the Diocese, within ninety days from the rising of this Convention, the one half of such indebtedness so found to be due, and the remaining half within six months therefrom.

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed so to amend Canon XIV, as that it shall read after the word "Diocese" occurs in the second section of said Canon: "and that any parish which shall fail to pay, on or before the second day of the Convention, its annual assessments, shall not be entitled to a vote therein while such assessments remain unpaid."

L. N. FREEMAN,
D. K. CADY,
M. G. MITCHELL,
Committee.

Which was received.

* The Secretary discovers an inaccuracy here, but having no means for correcting it at hand, is obliged to "follow copy."

The order of the day being the hearing of the Reports of certain committees, on motion, the rules were suspended.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on so much of the Treasurer's Report as relates to the delinquencies of the parishes, was laid on the table.

W. K. Bond, on behalf of the Committee on the affairs of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, made the following

Report:

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the sale of the real estate owned by the Theological Seminary, &c., and also the Report of the Trustees on the same subject, have fully considered the same, and now respectfully report:

That, in the opinion of your Committee, the information laid before them is too imperfect to justify any action in the premises at the present Convention. And as the matter is one of primary importance, and should not, in any case, be acted on hastily or unadvisedly by the Convention, nor by the Trustees of the said Theological School and Seminary, without the solemn and deliberate advice and order of the Diocesan Convention of Ohio, the Committee recommend that the whole subject be postponed until the next Annual Convention, in order that it may be brought to the knowledge and notice of the several parishes of the Diocese, and of all others whom it may in any wise concern. And for the purpose of obtaining full information upon the whole subject, the Committee recommend the passage of the following resolution by the Convention, viz:

Resolved, That a Committee of five persons, two clergymen and three laymen, be now appointed, to whom shall be referred all that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the sale of the lands of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, and also the two communications received from the Trustees of said Seminary and College on the same subject, together with the protest presented by C. B. Goddard, Esq., in behalf of the Right Rev. Philander Chase; and said Committee are hereby instructed and authorized to investigate all the facts connected with the propriety or expediency of a sale of said lands; and in order that the said investigation may be fully and faithfully made, the Trustees of the said Seminary, and all officers, professors, and agents in and about the same and of Kenyon College, be and they are hereby respectfully requested to afford to the said Committee every facility which may be asked or in their power to offer; and said Committee will be expected to make full report in the premises at the next session of this Convention.

Resolved further, That the Secretary furnish a copy of this Report and Resolution to the President of the Board of Trustees.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On motion, the Report was laid on the table.

At the request of W. K. Bond, Chairman of the Committee on the case of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, the Rev. Mr. Smallwood read the Report of that Committee. [This Report the Convention afterwards ordered not to be entered on the Journal. The final disposition of the case will be found in the proceedings of Saturday evening.]

The Rev. Mr. Winthrop moved that the report be received, and the resolutions adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 7½ o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Friday, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Convention met, and after the usual preliminary exercises, proceeded to business.

Rev. J. W. Cracraft asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The business before the house being the question of the reception and adoption of the report of the Committee on the Ashtabula case, the discussion having been continued to a late hour, it was resolved that when the Convention adjourns it adjourn till half past 8 to-morrow morning.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr, it was resolved that the vote be taken on the question to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16, 8½ o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and united in devotional services.

The reading of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, amended and approved.

The order of the day being the taking of the vote on the reception and adoption of the Report of the Committee on the Ashtabula case,

Rev. Mr. Burr moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of allowing Rev. Mr. Hall to make a personal explanation; after which,

On motion of J. R. Swan, the order of the day was suspended.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Ashtabula case be recommitted, with instructions so to modify it as to omit the third resolution, and substitute the following words in the place of the first part of the second: "Resolved, That the Convention approve of the determination understood to have been already expressed by the Bishop to abstain from all visitations, until," &c.

Rev. Dr. Bronson moved that the Report of the Committee on the sale of the College lands be now taken up, and proposed the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is expedient as well as important, to change the investment of the funds of our Diocesan Institutions from real to other estate, provided it can lawfully be done, and in good faith; and that the Trustees be advised forthwith to take measures to effect the same.

During the discussion of which, on motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Saturday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and after devotional services the roll was called.

The Rev. Dr. Bronson being entitled to the floor, gave way for the election of the Standing Committees.

The ballot was dispensed with in each case, and the nominations of the Committee on Nominations were unanimously confirmed as follows:

Standing Committee.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D., Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., C. Delano, M. W. Stamp, H. L. Thrall.

Trustees of the Episcopate Fund.—William K. Bond, David K. Este, Salmon P. Chase.

Sunday School Committee.—Rev. G. D. Gillespie, Rev. G. W. Dubois, Rev. A. Blake, William Wood, W. Van Hamm, J. R. Swan.

Missionary and Education Committee.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D., Rev. N. Badger, Rev. T. M. Smith, E. Alling, M. W. Stamp, H. L. Thrall, M. White.

Rev. Mr. Canfield asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The discussion of the resolution of Rev. Dr. Bronson on the subject of the sale of the College lands was continued during the remainder of the session, when, on motion,

The Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Saturday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled and united in devotional exercises. The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The subject before the house being the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Bronson as a substitute for the Report of the Committee on the affairs of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College,

Rev. Dr. Brooke proposed the following as a substitute for the last, which was accepted by the mover:

Whereas, The property of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College remains burdened with a debt, the interest of which, by diminishing the annual income, seriously interferes with the regular payment of the present limited salaries of College officers, and prevents such repairs as are indispensable to the due preservation of the College edifice and other buildings: and whereas, an assessment during the past year of five hundred dollars for taxes on the said property, has greatly increased these embarrassments: and whereas, the Board of Trustees of the said Institution, in their efforts to meet this

exigency, have asked the advice of this Convention respecting the propriety of changing a portion of the investment of said Corporation from real to other estate: therefore

1st. *Resolved*, That it is essential to the present efficiency and ultimate welfare of the Institution, that its debts be liquidated as soon as practicable.

2d. *Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to attempt to obtain donations in the Diocese or in the church at large for the payment of said debts; and that there appears to be no way of relieving the Institution but by selling the whole or a part of its real estate.

3d. *Resolved*, That it is desirable to retain so large a portion of the land, as will enable the Institution to test by further experience that part of the plan of its venerable founder, which contemplated a domain of sufficient extent, to keep off from its immediate vicinity, establishments for the sale of spirituous liquors, and all other like moral nuisances.

4th. *Resolved*, That the sale of about a fourth part of the land of the Corporation, consisting of one thousand acres more or less, and lying on the south-west side of Vernon river, would, without materially interfering with the above plan of its founder, relieve the Institution from its present embarrassments: therefore

5th. *Resolved*, That the Board of Trustees be and they are hereby advised to sell the above described tract of land, and apply the proceeds of the sales thereof, as fast as they are received, to the payment of the debts of the Institution:—Provided, that before any sales shall take place, the said Board shall be satisfied, by the opinion of such counsel learned in the law as they may think proper to consult, that they have a full and clear legal authority to make such sale.

A division of the resolutions being called for, the vote upon each stood as follows:

The first resolution was carried unanimously.

The second resolution being called for, at the request of five members the vote was directed to be taken by Orders. The Chair declined voting upon any of the resolutions, and Rev. Messrs. Muenscher and Burr declined voting on the present. The vote stood as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Badger, Blake, S. A. Bronson, Brooke, Denison, Dobb, Edwards, Fitch, French, Holden, McMurphey, Miller, Phelps, Smallwood, Smith, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, Wing, Winthrop—19.

Laity.—Messrs. Crawford, Cooper, Douglas, McColloch, Thrall, Howard, Heim, Clements, Scott, Jarvis, Reynolds, Alling, Phillips, C. Fuller, Boalt, W. Kinney, S. S. Fuller, Coles, Garrett, Robbins, Kent, Young—22=41.

NEGATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Brayton, Britton, Bryan, Dooley, Freeman, Gray, Guion, Nash, Stout, Windsor—10.

Laity.—Messrs. Bond, Hamm, Hall, Pomeroy, Cady, Drummond, Doddridge, Punderson, Buttles, Britton, Swan, Owsten, White, Sawer, Buckingham, Benton, Mitchell, Alexander, Slater, Burr, Caldwell —21=31.

The third resolution was carried unanimously.

On the fourth resolution, the Rev. J. A. Brayton asked and obtained leave to be excused. The vote was as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Badger, Blake, Britton, S. A. Bronson, Brooke, Bryan, Denison, Dobb, Dooley, Edwards, French, Holden, McMurphey, Miller, Phelps, Smallwood, Smith, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, Wing, Winthrop—21.

Laity.—Messrs. Crawford, Cooper, Douglas, Hamm, Drummond, McColloch, Thrall, Howard, Heim, Clements, White, Scott, Jarvis, Reynolds, Alling, C. Fuller, Boalt, W. Kinney, S. S. Fuller, Coles, Garrett, Robbins, Kent, Young—24=45.

NEGATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Burr, Fitch, Freeman, Gray, Guion, Muenscher, Nash, Stout, Windsor—9.

Laity.—Messrs. Bond, Hall, Pomeroy, Cady, Doddridge, Punderson, Buttles, Britton, Swan, Pinney, Owsten, Sawer, Buckingham, Benton, Mitchell, Alexander, Slater, Burr, Caldwell—19=28.

On the fifth resolution, the vote was as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Badger, Blake, S. A. Bronson, Brooke, Bryan, Denison, Dobb, Edwards, French, Holden, McMurphey, Miller, Muenscher, Smallwood, Smith, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, Wing, Winthrop—19.

Laity.—Messrs. Crawford, Cooper, Thrall, Howard, Heim, Clements, White, Jarvis, Reynolds, Alling, Boalt, W. Kinney, S. S. Fuller, Coles, Garrett, Robbins, Kent, Young—18=37.

NEGATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Brayton, Britton, Burr, Dooley, Fitch, Freeman, Gray, Guion, Nash, Phelps, Stout, Windsor—12.

Laity.—Messrs. Douglas, Bond, Hamm, Hall, Pomeroy, Cady, Drummond, McColloch, Doddridge, Punderson, Buttles, Britton, Swan, Pinney, Owsten, Sawer, Buckingham, Benton, Mitchell, Alexander, Slater, Burr, Caldwell—23=35.

The President then put the question on agreeing to the whole Document introduced by the Rev. Dr. Brooke, and it was carried in the affirmative by the following vote:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Badger, Blake, S. A. Bronson, Brooke, Bryan, Denison, Dobb, Edwards, French, Holden, McMurphey, Miller, Phelps, Smallwood, Smith, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, Wing, Winthrop —19.

Laity.—Messrs. Crawford, Cooper, Douglas, McColloch, Howard, Heim, Clements, Scott, Jarvis, Reynolds, Alling, C. Fuller, Boalt, W. Kinney, S. S. Fuller, Coles, Garrett, Robbins, Young—19=38.

NEGATIVE.

Clergy.—Rev. Messrs. Brayton, Britton, Burr, Dooley, Fitch, Gray, Guion, Nash, Stout, Windsor—10.

Laity.—Messrs. Bond, Hamm, Hall, Pomeroy, Cady, Drummond, Doddridge, Punderson, Buttles, Britton, Swan, Pinney, Owsten, White, Sawer, Buckingham, Benton, Mitchell, Alexander, Slater, Burr, Caldwell—22=32.

The Committee on the case of St. Peter's Parish, Ashtabula, having reconsidered their Report, presented it as amended in accordance with the instructions of the Convention. The Convention directed that all that part of the Report which precedes the resolutions should be omitted in the printing of the Journal. The following are the resolutions:

1st. *Resolved*, That the conduct of the Parish of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, towards its Diocesan, meets with the decided and emphatic condemnation of this Convention.

2d. *Resolved*, That the Convention approve of the determination understood to have been already adopted by the Bishop, to abstain from all visitation of said Parish, until its authorities shall give him an assurance that the Easter-Monday pamphlet mentioned in this Report, has never been entered on their records, and will never be, or else has been or shall be removed therefrom; and until they recall the communication to him, wherein his first Address is spoken of as "unofficial," and further until they take back the charges contained in the paper called the "Remonstrance," especially that of untruth —all to the satisfaction of the Convention of this Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Windsor asked to be excused from voting upon the resolutions, when they were carried, *nem. con.*

On motion of Rev. J. Rice Taylor,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregations of Trinity and St. Paul's Churches respectively, and to the citizens of Columbus generally, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of the Convention at its present session.

Rev. Mr. Wing, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the following

Report:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to equalize assessments upon the parishes, and the Committee on Assessments for the current year, beg leave to make the following joint Report, viz:

NAMES OF PARISHES.	ASSESSMENTS.	
	Episcopate	General Fund.
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	$45	$10
Akron, St. Paul's,	30	4
Berkshire, Grace,	10	2
Boardman, St. James'	15	2
Boston, Bethel	5	1
Cincinnati, Christ	250	50
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150	30
Cincinnati, Trinity	20	5
Cleveland, Trinity	80	12
Cleveland, Grace,	15	2
Cleveland, St. Paul's	50	10
Columbus, Trinity	95	20
Columbus, St. Paul's	30	8
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	95	15
Canfield, St. Stephen's	10	2
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Circleville, St. Philip's	45	8
Centerville, St. David's	6	1
Columbia, St. Luke's	4	1
Cross Creek, St. James'	25	5
Delaware, St. Peter's	50	8
Deersville, St. Albans'	5	1
Dayton, Christ	50	8
Dresden, Zion	8	2
Elyria, St. Andrew's	5	0
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	3	1
Euclid, St. Paul's	5	1
Granville, St. Luke's	20	4
Gambier, Harcourt	40	6
Greenville, St. Paul's	5	1
Grafton, St. Stephen's	8	2
Huron, Christ	10	2
Hudson, Christ	18	4
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	5	1
Jefferson, Trinity	8	2

TABLE OF ASSESSMENTS — Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate	General Fund.
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lyme, Trinity	5	1
Liverpool, Christ	3	1
Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	4	1
Marietta, St. Luke's	25	5
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	50	8
Massillon, St. Timothy's	35	5
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	10	2
Medina, St. Paul's	45	5
Madison, St. Matthew's	10	2
Maumee, St. Paul's	8	2
Milan, St. Luke's	10	2
Newark, Trinity	40	10
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	6
Ohio City, St. John's	16	4
Painesville, St. James'	35	5
Piqua, St. James'	55	10
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60	10
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5	1
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Rome, St. Peter's	2	0
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ	15	2
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50	10
Sandusky City, Grace	50	5
Springfield, Jeff. co., St. John's	10	2
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	5	1
Troy, Trinity	10	0
Toledo, Trinity	20	5
Unionville, St. Michael's	2	0
Worthington, St. John's	10	2
Warren, Christ	10	0
Wooster, St. James'	15	3
Wakeman, St. John's	5	0
Windsor, Christ	2	0
Zanesville, St. James'	85	12
Roscoe, Immanuel	5	1
Urbana, Epiphany	5	1
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Total,	$2,017	$365

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. C. WING, Chairman.

Which was adopted.

Mr. D. K. Cady, on behalf of the same Committee, presented the following

Report:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, have performed that part of their duty and beg leave to report: That they have examined the Treasurer's accounts and find them substantiated with the proper vouchers, as follows:

EPISCOPATE FUND.

Amount of Bishop's salary	$2,000 00	
Amount Balance due him last year	285 94	
		$2,285 94
Total amount paid him during the year		1,553 78
Present deficit		$732 16

GENERAL FUND.

THE TREASURER DR.

To whole amount collected during the year	$291 60

CONTRA CR.

By sundry payments, as pr. vouchers exhibited	$291 60

ARREARS.

Present amount of arrears on Episcopate Fund	$1,344 20
do. do. General Fund	459 40
Amount of outstanding debts as far as known, against the General Fund	$395 70

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. T. C. WING,
D. K. CADY,
M. WHITE,
Committee.

Which was received, and the Committee discharged.

Rev. Mr. Burr, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Missions, presented the following

Report:

The Committee on Missions beg leave to report, that they have learned with unfeigned pleasure, that the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese has received into its treasury a larger amount of funds during the past, than the former year; and that the Committee, in consequence, have been enabled not only to fulfil all their engagements to the missionaries and beneficiaries depending upon their aid, but to discharge in part, if not entirely, the debt which was due at the last Convention.

They regret, however, to find that of the amount pledged at the last Convention only about two-thirds has been paid; and that of the pledges made two years ago of $5 each annually, for five years, a still smaller proportion has been redeemed. This failure on the part of those by whom the pledges were made, has seriously embarrassed the operations of the Committee and materially reduced the amount of appropriations which were anticipated on the strength of the pledges.

Your Committee would respectfully suggest that the Convention should take some steps to wipe away this reproach on our character for truth and integrity.

It must be evident to all, that the amount of our receipts for education and missionary purposes in this Diocese is by *no means* proportioned to the ability of the church to contribute. To what cause shall we attribute this? To a want of love and zeal on the part of our people? We are reluctant to do this. We would rather seek for it in the reluctance of the clergy to make frequent, and strong, and persevering calls upon the liberality of their people, through fear of offence, and to a consequent want of the habit of regular and frequent contributions.

Your Committee would therefore recommend that it be solemnly urged upon all the parishes to adopt some regular system of missionary contributions, according to the spirit of the Canon on that subject, which may enlist the interest and call out the benevolent feelings of our people, and they suggest, as one of the best plans, a monthly collection, after a sermon or address on the subject of missions and the duty of giving for the extension of the Gospel. The clergy should take into consideration the direct and reflex influence for good that such a course would have upon their work of saving souls and building up the Church, and regard it as necessary to the prosperity of spiritual religion in their parishes, that their people should give for the promotion of the Gospel, as that they pray and praise: and where the *missionary Sunday* is as regularly considered as the communion Sunday, and a collection made during the reading of the sentences of the Offertory, the missionary heart will be found to exist, its pulses

put in motion, and the missionary hand put forth as a result of the blessing of the Holy Spirit on the means thus used.

The Scioto Convocation has, another year, contributed $300 to sustain their missionary at Lancaster, and as the fruits of their two years' missionary efforts, can now look upon a beautiful Gothic edifice of good dimensions, its basement already occupied by a respectable congregation, where neither edifice nor congregation existed before; and they trust that the material temple is only the outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual work of grace, going on in the hearts and lives of that newly gathered congregation.

Your Committee would suggest that it be recommended to the several Convocations of the Diocese, that they make special efforts to sustain one or more missionaries within the bounds of their districts. They believe, from their own experience, that such an effort would enlist a greater degree of interest in the minds of the people, inasmuch as the missionary thus employed would be in a peculiar sense their own missionary, depending directly upon them and exciting in their minds a sense of responsibility for his support.

Your Committee would conclude by reminding the Convention of the vast field, ripe for the harvest, which the great Husbandman has committed to us, in this Diocese of Ohio, and urge upon all the obligation to pray earnestly, to labour diligently and wait patiently, remembering that in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Which was received, and the Committee discharged.

S. W. Pomeroy, Esq. tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, which was accepted.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Taylor, amended by Rev. Mr. Guion,

Resolved, That 850 copies of the Journal of this Convention be published under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Guion,

Resolved, That the editors of the Western Episcopalian be requested to allow the Clerical Reports a place in their paper.

On motion of Rev. Edward Winthrop,

Resolved, That the Report of the Special Committee on delinquent parishes be re-committed, with instructions to report at the next Convention.

Rev. Dr. Brooke proposed the following additional Article as an amendment to the Constitution, which was approved and lies over for consideration at the next Convention:

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the church.

Mr. D. K. Cady called up his resolutions amending the Constitution, which were also approved and ordered to lie over till the next Convention, as follows:

ALTERATION OF ARTICLE III.

Resolved, That the following sentence in the third article of the Constitution be stricken out, viz: "The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only."

ALTERATION AND ADDITION TO ARTICLE X.

Resolved, That all after the word "members" in the third line of Article X. of the Constitution be stricken out and the following inserted: "A vote of orders and parishes shall be as follows: Every clergyman who has charge of a congregation or church shall be entitled to vote. The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to but one vote only, and a majority of each order of those present entitled to vote shall decide. A vote of orders only shall be as follows: All the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention shall be allowed to vote; and all of the delegates from each congregation or church shall be allowed to vote, and a majority of each order of those present shall decide."

J. R. Swan, Esq. was nominated to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, occasioned by the resignation of S. W. Pomeroy, Esq. Balloting was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed by a unanimous vote.

The Convention united in prayers, and after the Apostolic benediction, pronounced by the Bishop, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE, *Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Convention.*

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

J. RICE TAYLOR,
Assistant Secretary.

TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, &c. FOR 1848–9.

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M. W. STAMP,
H. L. THRALL.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

[On account of the pressure of other business, the Delegates to the General Convention were not elected at this Convention. The names of the nominees will be found on pages 30 and 37.]

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SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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REV. G. W. DUBOIS,
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TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION,

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D., CINCINNATI.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION,

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, GRANVILLE.

APPENDIX.

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Parochial Reports.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

Present number of Communicants, 40. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday School teachers, 13; scholars, 68.

Our Parish is now vacant, but by an arrangement of our late Pastor with the Rev. Mr. Stewart of Connelsville, Penn., for an exchange of Parishes, we are expecting a spiritual shepherd to watch over us by the 23d inst. We have lay services until he arrives. JOHN HANFORD, *Senior Warden.*

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

Baptisms -adults, 2; infants and children, 16; total, 18. Confirmations, 13. Communicants added—by admission, 15; by transfer, 3: lost—by removal, 2; by death, 3; present number, 127. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 3. The children are catechised on Sundays and other holy days, and at parochial visitations.

The stated collections are weekly at the Offertory, and semi-annually for the Episcopate and also for missions.

The following sums have been collected and appropriated, viz:—For the Episcopate, $20; Convention expenses, $5; Domestic and Foreign Missions, $22—Total, $52.

The Minister is supported, the poor are relieved, and the expenses of the communion table are defrayed, by the collections at the Offertory and supplementary voluntary contributions. All other financial matters and temporal provisions for the benefit of the Church and Parish, are transacted and made by the corporation chartered for those purposes. JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Communicants—lost, by death, 1; present number, 32. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 40.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent Fund, $2—Total $12.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield.

The Rector would say to the Bishop, that he can give nothing like a regular report, as it is but a few months since he took charge of these parishes.

He has officiated in Boardman 23 times, and administered the Holy Eucharist twice. There has been added to our communion, 1; present number, 30.

He has also performed the same number of services in Canfield. Communicants lost—by removal, 1; by death, 1; total, 2; present number, 17. Marriages, 1. Burial, 1.

There have been no collections taken up as yet, except $15 at Boardman for the Episcopate. The other collections will be forwarded as soon as possible. We are about organizing a Sunday School in each parish.

JOSEPH ADDERLY, *Rector.*

Bethel Church, Boston, (Peninsula.)

Baptisms—infants, 4. Communicants, 11. Burials, 2. Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 30.

Sums raised and appropriated: For the Episcopate, $6; Contingent fund, $2—Total, $8.

The undersigned took charge of this parish on the first of March last; has preached alternately here and in Hudson till the 8th Sunday after Trinity, since which time he has preached here the whole time.

A. PHELPS, *Rector.*

St. David's Church, Centerville.

Baptisms—infants, 7. Communicants added—by admission, 4; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 3; by removal, 10; present number, 75. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 30. Number of times catechized, 24. Sunday School teachers, 10; pupils, 60.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $6; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $5; Bible Society, $11 50—Total $22 50.

ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 8; total, 11. Confirmed, 13. Communicants added—by admission, 15; lost—by death, 4; by removal, 18; present number, 107. Marriages, 10. Burials, 14. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 40; number of times catechized, 12. Sunday School teachers, 12; pupils, 60.

The stated collections are monthly alms at communion, $72 54; weekly, contingent expenses, $50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $75; Contingent fund, $15; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $75; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $75; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $10; Colonization Society, $25; Bethel Society, $8 50; Rev. Mr. Dooley, as Deacon, $50; Other missionary objects, $37 50—Total, $371.

This parish has suffered much from removals, and we fear is to suffer still more from that cause. The bonds of morality as well as religion are much relaxed in our community of late, and the spirit of the world too much defiles the Church, and under the pressure of temporal and spiritual declension we can only hope and pray, that "when the enemy comes in like a flood the Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him."

The rector records his thanks to brethren, who supplied his pulpit and desk during his absence at the East last October, and especially to the Rev. Mr. Dooley, whose faithful services as a deacon in this parish we greatly miss and have not been able to supply. The priceless blessing of the ability to labor uninterruptedly for the Saviour he would also gratefully remember.

JAMES B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 33; total, 34. Confirmed, 13. Communicants—admitted, 11; received, 21; received after absence, 2; total added,

34; died, 1; removed, 24; re-united with the Lutherans, 1; present number 162. Marriages, 16. Burials, 19. Public services—on Sundays, 104; on other days, 66; total number of services, 170. Communion administered 12 times. Sunday School teachers, 15; pupils, average attendance, 50. Average number of children attending the catechizing, 25; number of times catechized, 11.

The monthly collections have been appropriated as follows: The Sunday School of the parish, $18 25; Church Extension Society of the parish, $60 96; Contingent fund, to pay assessment, $30 00; Diocesan Missions, $17 11; Diocesan education, $46 21; Domestic Missions, $62 05; Foreign Missions, (China and Africa,) $72 25; Jewish Mission, paid Rev. Mr. Labagh, 20 15; Young Men's Bible Society of Cincinnati, $45 35; Sufferers by the flood, paid Relief Committee, $77 27; Exchange on Drafts, $1 49—$451 09.

The following sums have also been collected: Income of the Offertory, $222 41; Received for the Church Extension Society in subscriptions and donations, $174 91; Collected to pay the assessment for the Episcopate Fund, $142; Subscription for repairs of the organ, $70; Collected in the Sunday School for Foreign and Domestic Missions, $30 01; From a parishioner for China Mission, $3; do. for Diocesan Missions, $10; do. for Foreign Missions, $20; do. for Domestic Missions, $1; collected by Rev. H. L. Laird, for Church, New Albany, Ind., $23; collected by Rev. A. T. McMurphey for Church, Dresden, Ohio, $40—$736 33—Total, 1,187 42.

The Ladies' Society held a fair in May, from the proceeds of which, $75 was given to the Church Extension Society. Of the communicants reported as removed, ten have connected themselves with the congregation lately formed. The Church Extension Society have had a Clergyman for their station since the last of November. After the dissolution of Grace Church the services were removed to a room nearer the centre of the City. The Society now raise $550 per annum for the support of the Minister, the congregation paying the other expenses of worship and adding $50 to the salary. It is earnestly desired that such measures should be taken, as would tend to the more rapid advancement of this enterprise.

GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, *Rector.*

Mission Chapel of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.—I would respectfully report, that my connection with this charge commenced in November, 1847. Finding the location of the chapel unfavorable to the enterprise, I had, last April, the services removed to the Hall of the Eclectic College, a more central and commanding position, where they are still held.

The Mission now, as will be seen from the subjoined statistics, is in a prosperous condition.

Baptisms, infants, 17. Original number of communicants, 4; added, 39; removed, 2; present number, 41. Burials, 3. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 68.

JOSEPH M. WAITE, *Missionary.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infants, 28. Communicants added—by transfer, 15; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 200. Marriages, 21. Burials, 32. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, —.* Sunday School teachers, 16; pupils, 100.

The stated collections are on the first and second Sundays of each month.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $250; Contingent fund, $50; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $229 25; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $116; Bible Society, $123; Tract Society, $102; Sunday School, $70; Communion Offerings, $312 29; sundry objects, $384 68; Ladies' Be-

*There being no permanent Rector during the past year, this duty has not been attended to.

nevolent Society for City Missionary, $500; subscriptions to country churches, $500—Total, $2,637 22. A. BLAKE, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

Baptisms—children, 5. Communicants reported to the Bishop last year, 75; since removed, 9; stricken from the list for non-attendance, 9; present number, 57. Funerals, 2. Marriages, 2. Sunday scholars, about 40; teachers, 8.

The stated collections at communion for alms and incidental expenses up to 1st of April, $21 21; Diocesan Missions, appropriated for Mission at Lancaster, $20—Total, $41 21.

The Rector's resignation of this parish took effect on his removal to Urbana at Easter. The number of communicants reported as stricken from the list appears large, but most of them had neglected communion for two or three years, and all of them over twelve months, with no seeming probability of their return. C. B. STOUT, *late Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 23; total, 24. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—by admission, 6; by transfer, 49; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 10; present number, 44. Marriages, 13. Burials, 17. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechized, every Sunday. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 58.

The stated collections are every Lord's day for the support of the ministry in the parish.

The above Report is for the last two years.

This Parish, after considerable effort, have so far finished their church as to be enabled to occupy it for Divine service. It will seat about 500 persons. All the sittings are free. We consider this parish as occupying missionary ground, and offering the privileges of the church to a large class of persons who would otherwise be deprived of them. The collections hitherto, have not been adequate to the support of the Rector; which will sufficiently account for our not raising funds for distant objects. Our usual attendance is as large as can reasonably be expected at the commencement of so great a work.

ALEXANDER VARIAN, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infants, 16. Communicants added by admission and transfer, 13; lost by removal, 1; present number, 66. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 12. average number attending the rector's Bible Class, 45; class meets regularly once a week. Sunday School teachers, 15; pupils, 120.

Penny collection of Sunday School scholars, (commenced a few weeks since,) $4 50; collection for Sunday School Library, $30; for the Episcopate, $40; for contingent expenses, $10; for missionary purposes, $50; communion offerings, $59 48—Total, $193 98.

The parish has in progress of building, a church edifice, 50 by 88 feet, which is to be completed in November next. The Parish, in all respects, so far as known, is in a very comfortable condition; for which its members desire to give to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, most humble and hearty thanks. G. B. PERRY, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infants, 13. Communicants received, 10; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 14; present number, 135. Marriages, 12. Burials, 8. Average number attending the rector's catechism class, 50; number of times catechised, 15. Sunday School teachers, 15; pupils, about 100.

For the Episcopate, $15; Contingent fund, 12; Mission at Nashotah, $20; Sunday School books, $38 57; Ladies' Society for various parochial objects, $200; sundry charities, $100—Total, $385 57.

LLOYD WINDSOR, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants, lost—by removal, 1; added, 1; present number, 28. I have spent about one-fourth of my time here since the first of June. The condition of this church is encouraging.

ELI ADAMS, *Minister.*

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infants, 11. Confirmed, 3. Communicants, present number, 79. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 25; number of times catechized, 2. Sunday School teachers, 14; pupils, 80.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $38; Contingent fund, $10; communion offerings, $41 36; Quarterly collection, $21 55; Monthly collection, $75; by the Ladies' Society, $150—Total, $287 91.

The Rector would state that this report is necessarily very imperfect, he having been but seven weeks in the parish, and not being in possession of data on which to found a full report.

ALFRED M. LOUTREL, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 18; total, 21. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—by admission, 12; by transfer, 6; lost—by death, 6; by removal, 3; present number, 151. Marriages, 5. Burials, 16. Sunday School teachers, 21; pupils—white, 150; colored, 100; total, 250.

The stated collections are—September, American Tract Society; November, Diocesan Education Society; December, Foreign Missions; January, Trinity Church Sunday Schools; February, support of Rev. A. Guion at Lancaster; March, Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen; April, American Bible Society; May, Western Seamen's Friend Society; June and August, Diocesan Missions; July, American Protestant Society, and monthly in the Parish Missionary Association.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $90; Contingent fund, $20; Missionary and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $235 50; Foreign Missionary Committee, $70; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $12; American Tract Society, $284; Western Seamen's Friend Society, $40; American Protestant Society, $40; Trinity Church Sunday Schools, $100; American Bible Society, $28—Total, $889.

DUDLEY A. TYNG, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by transfer, 2; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 8; present number, 62. Burials, 6. Sunday School teachers, 5; pupils, 30. Bible class, 20.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $5; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $3 30—Total, $33 30. R. GRAY, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 7; total, 12. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—by admission, 9; by transfer, 4; lost—to the Methodists, 1; by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 62. Marriages, 3, and one at Akron. Burials, 2. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 12; number of times catechized, 9. Sunday School teachers, 6; pupils, 25.

The stated collections are at communion; surplus not needed for table, poor, &c., appropriated to Missions:—Monthly for Missions; in Feb. for Bible Society; Easter, for Jews; and in Aug. for Episcopate, &c.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $100; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $5 (Jews); Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $3 60; American Bible Society, $8; Poor, and other expenses, $2 75; Books of instruction for Sunday School, $4 50—Total, $153 85.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 9; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—by admission, 5; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 2; present number, 87. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Sunday School teachers, 22; pupils, 145.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $8; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $12; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $10; Towards furnishing a room in Bexley Hall, $30; For Sunday School Library, $20; For the American Bible Society, about $45—Total, $175.

E. H. CANFIELD, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 3; total, 5. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 7; lost—by death, 3; present number, 19. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Miss and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $15; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $20; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $2—Total $47.

There has been commenced and is now in progress for the use of this congregation a neat brick church edifice of the Gothic order, to cost, when finished, about $2,500, which we hope to have finished and paid for before the close of the present year. And I take this opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of the following sums, which have been given to me, as rector of the parish, in aid of this object: from members of the congregation of Christ Church, Cincinnati, $294; from members of the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, $51; from personal friends in Cincinnati, not Episcopalians, $26; from members of the congregation of Trinity Church, Columbus, $80; and I may here add a donation of fancy articles to the Ladies' Society of the parish, from the ladies of the Church of the Ascension, New York, through the kindness of Mrs. G. T. Bedell. For all of which favors, as a congregation, we would tender our sincere thanks.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, East Liverpool.

Rev. James B. Goodwin, of the Diocese of Virginia, has continued to supply this parish with services one half the time, the past year. His records

show: Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 10. Communicants added, 2; lost—by death, 1; present number, 20. Burials, 5. Average number of persons attending the Bible class, 21. Sunday School teachers, 25; pupils, 140. Books in the Sunday School library, about 400 volumes.

The following sums have been raised by collections or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $2; Contingent fund, $1; For Sunday School books, $15; For prayer books, $12—Total, $30.

We have received through the Bishop of the Diocese from the American Sunday School Union a donation of choice Sunday School books to the value of $15. JAMES COCKER, *Senior Warden.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

Baptisms—adults, 1. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 3; present number, 18. Average number attending the rector's Bible class, 8; Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 15.

The stated collections are on the first Sabbath in each month.

The following sum has been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4.

I spent my whole time in St. Paul's Church, Euclid, with the exception of one Sabbath in Strongsville and Columbia, one in Lower Sandusky, one in Lyme and Bellevue and one at Dover, until about the 1st of June; since then one half in Strongsville, one fourth in Columbia and one fourth in Euclid. The condition of these churches is encouraging. The state of things in St. Philip's, Strongsville, more than usually interesting. E. ADAMS, *Rector.*

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Baptisms—infants, 5. Confirmed, 3. Cammunicants added—by admission, 4; by transfer, 13; lost—by removal, 10; present number, 77. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Average number of children attending catechism class, conducted by Rev. Prof. Smith, 20; number of times catechized, monthly. Sunday School teachers, 11; pupils, 75. Bible class by Rev. Prof. Dobb, about 75.

The stated collections are monthly.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $40; Contingent fund, $6; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $50; Foreign and Domestic Misssionary Committee, $17; Evangelical Knowledge Society, about $50—Total, $163.

JOHN T. BROOKE, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—present number, 30. Marriages, 6. Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 20.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $5—Total, $10. A. WHEELER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Baptisms—adults, 6; infants, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 12. Communicants added—by admission, 12; by transfer, 4; lost—by removal, 21; present number, 61. Marriages, 3. Burials 3. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 40; number of times catechized, once a month.

The stated collections are made monthly, by subscription.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $4; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $33; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Commit-

tee, $48; ($45 of which by the Teachers and Pupils of the Granville Female Seminary, for China and Africa;) Evangelical Knowledge Society, $7; American Bible Society, $5 25; Other benevolent objects, $13 12—Total, $130 37.

This Parish has lost much of its numerical strength during the last two or three years, in consequence of removals to other places. In this period, no less than 66 members of the congregation have removed from the parish, (and a much larger proportion of the pecuniary ability,) and there has been no corresponding increase by removals into it. In this discouraging state of things, we have endeavored to maintain our ground without looking abroad for assistance, and have thus far been successful. We are comforted in the reflection that our losses are not losses to the whole church, but are a corresponding gain to other parishes; and we are hoping, by our missionary and other contributions, to experience the truth of the promise: "He that watereth, shall be watered also himself."

The Granville Female Seminary, under the direction of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford, and Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Sanford, is in a highly flourishing and prosperous condition.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 2; lost—by death, 1; present number, 15. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Sunday School teachers, 12; pupils, 75.

The following sum has been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $3 25.

WM. MILLER, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Hudson.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants, 41. Marriages, 2. Burials 4.

The following sum has been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $32.

The undersigned resigned the rectorship of this parish in November last, but continued in charge of it till the ninth Sunday after Trinity. The state of the parish is encouraging, its members united and earnestly devoted to the advancement of its interests. I would acknowledge with gratitude the favors of a kind Providence in giving such success to the first efforts of this parish towards its permanent establishment and prosperity.

A. PHELPS, *late Rector.*

The undersigned having accepted a call to the rectorship of this parish, entered upon his duties three weeks since. He has preached three Sundays since his removal into the diocese in the parish, and one in Troy, and one in Lansingburgh, N. Y. He is able to report no statistics except the number of communicants, which is now 41, but he supposes that the report of Rev. Mr. Phelps, his esteemed predecessor, will supply all deficiencies.

T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants, present number, 23. Burials, 1.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5 30; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $3 10; for repairing the church, $160—Total, $168 40.

The present minister employs half his services in this parish; but from various causes it has become so weak, that, though anxious to settle a minister, it can give but a small support.

The parish of Trinity Church, Lyme, including Bellevue, has no minister, but has built a new church, and has 28 communicants.

A. BRONSON, *Officiating Minister.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by transfer, 1; present number, 18. Burials, 1. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 8. Sunday School teachers, 5; pupils, 20.

The stated collections are usually made in connection with the communion every six weeks, for missions and other Christian objects connected with the church.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $3; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $7 71; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $2 50; Sunday School Books, $5 18—Total, $24 54.

Something more than one-third of my time has been spent in this parish the past year. There has been a good degree of interest manifested in the services, and much that has been encouraging. We sometimes find our "House of Prayer" to be rather narrow for all who join with us, but trust the time will come, by God's blessing, when we shall have an appropriate church edifice to consecrate to His service.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 2; total 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 3; present number, 18. Burials, 2.

The stated collections are quarterly.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $3; Contingent fund, $4—Total $7.

J. B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 15; total, 16. Communicants added—by admission, 10; by transfer, 2; lost—by removal, 1; present number, 17. Marriage, 1. Burials, 4. Catechism class, lately organized, 16; catechized, once. Sunday School teachers, 6; pupils, 31; superintended by the rector.

Collected for the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund $2—Total, $7.

I reported last year the laying of the corner stone of a church for this parish with religious services, which took place about three weeks before the meeting of the Convention. The walls of the church were so far completed as to receive the roof last fall. Our means being then exhausted, the work was stopped. Early last spring a second subscription was circulated, when $500 was promptly subscribed by our little band. To this the ladies added, as the profits of their work and a supper, $113. The work was recommenced and prosecuted to the completion of the basement room. Our church edifice is purely ecclesiastical in its appearance, and my impression is, that it has been built for a less sum than any other of the same size and appearance in the west. Assistance has been kindly extended to us by Christian friends in Columbus, Chillicothe, Porthsmouth, Cincinnati and New York; a part of which was given to procure for us a silver plate communion set, a marble altar top, and a baptismal font.

This great work, for so small and feeble a parish, was commenced with faith and prayer, and carried on in the same spirit. From whence the means were to come to carry it on, could only be seen by the eye of faith. God was pleased to open the hearts of the people to contribute liberally. I desire here to record my thanks to Almighty God for that degree of prosperity which has attended our work.

On the 6th Sunday after Trinity, (July 30th,) the basement room of the church was opened for divine services, since which time our congregation has nearly doubled, and our prospects of further increase and of growing up a

spiritual church have never before been so encouraging. My labours during the past year have been confined principally to Fairfield county. Lancaster has been the centre and principal place of labor. But I have held services from time to time in five different school districts in the country. In two of these districts the Prayer Book has been introduced, and in each of these we now have quite an animated response. I have found that after explaining the Liturgy two or three times, it may be introduced with benefit into any neighborhood where the people can read. After it is introduced, much more interest is manifested in the church, and many by this means have been led to attend our services in town. Some, brought under this influence, have had their children received into membership with Christ by baptism, and some have been received to the Holy Communion. Four Sundays have been spent in the vacant parish of St. Philip's Church, Circleville, and the Holy Communion administered once; two in St. Paul's, Columbus, and one in St. Paul's, Chillicothe, during the absence of the rector.

ALVAH GUION, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 2; lost—by death, 4; by removal, 5; present number, 16. Burials, 6.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2: Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $7 50; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $13; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $2—Total, $34 50.

This parish has suffered much loss by death and removal, or rather by being transferred to the new parish just formed at Roscoe; but the few that are left are warmly and intelligently attached to the church of their choice, and their minister feels much encouraged by the love manifested for the truth and the zeal shown for the spread of the Gospel both at home and abroad.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added—by admission, 8; by transfer, 5; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 7; present number, 57. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Children catechized in Sunday School. Sunday School teachers, 13; pupils, 70.

The stated collections are monthly for Missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $64 52; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $45 25—Total, $149 77.

ANSON CLARK, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 11; total, 13. Communicants lost—by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 30. Burials, 7. Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 15. These are catechized every Sunday by the teachers.

The stated collections are the monthly contributions for the benefit of the poor, &c., amounting to $29 66, and on Dec. 25th, 1847, for Miss. Committee of the Diocese, $5.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $5; For Sunday School Library, $13 50; By the ladies' Sewing Society, for the payment of carpets, lamps, &c., $100; By do. for part payment of an organ, $200—Total, $354 16.

O. TAYLOR, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 14; total, 16. Communicants added—by admission, 4; by transfer, 2; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 2; present number, 133. Marriages, 10. Burials, 14. S. School teachers, 8; pupils, 40.

The stated collections are monthly, at Communions. These, in the aggregate, have amounted to $104 50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $30; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $15; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $15; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $10; Repairing Church, $39 50; Bell, $150; Ministry, $350—Total, $620.

GEORGE S. DAVIS, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 3; total, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants added—by admission, 8; by transfer, 5; lost—by removal, 1; present number, 29. Marriages, 7. Burials, 8. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 10; number of times catechized, 8. Sunday School teachers, 7; pupils, 35.

The stated collections are the monthly communion alms.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $15; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $15; For Sunday School books, $10, ($3 58 of which was the amount of penny collections in the Sunday School); On the Bishop's travelling expenses, $2; For benefit of choir, $25—Total, $73.

In addition to the above amounts about $1,775 have been paid on contract for church building, in progress at my last report, and completed on the 1st of January last, ($150 of which were contributed as the proceeds of an entertainment given by the ladies of the parish); $30 for insurance on said building, and $24 paid the rector towards his expenses while soliciting aid to complete the church at the East, in which effort he collected some $330. The parish is indebted to St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, N. York, for pulpit and desk cushions, and to friends of the Church of the same city for chancel carpet and other useful articles. An organ has been contracted for and will soon be placed in the church.

It was stated in my last report that the parish had become self-supporting. It became so from necessity. But little more than half of the $150-pledge made to the Miss. and Education Committee for the support of a missionary therein, had been paid at the end of the first year. No further pledge was given and the parish resolved to meet the necessity on condition that the undivided services of their minister should be given them. But several of the members of the parish sustained reverses in business, not only seriously affecting the ability of the parish to meet their engagements with their rector, but likewise disabling them from proceeding unaided in completing their house of worship. Through assistance obtained abroad for the latter, and the aid of $100 kindly volunteered by the Miss. and Ed. Society for the former, the parish has prospered, and it is confidently hoped, that when a debt of about $800 is paid, ($500 of which is due on sale of slips,) it will have no difficulty of itself in permanently sustaining the preaching of the Word.

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Rector.*

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 2; lost—by death, 3; by removal, 6; present number, 29. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

The stated collections are made at communion seasons, for missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $5—Total $17.

GEORGE B. STURGES, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 6; total, 10. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—by admission, 12; by transfer, 5; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 113. Burials, 5. Sunday School pupils, 50.

The stated collections are taken on the first Sunday in every month, at the administration of the holy communion.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $34; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $46; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, precise sum unknown; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen, $9 43—Total, $94 43.

The ladies of the parish, with most praise-worthy zeal, have realized from their own labors for the church the past year about $200, which it is designed to apply in part payment of the debts of the church. They have also raised a sufficient sum to procure lamps for the church, and to defray expenses for sundry improvements and repairs.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 9; total, 12. Confirmed, 5. Communicants added—by admission, 5; by transfer, 1; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 8; present number, 82. Marriages, 4. Burials, 19. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 40; number of times catechized, every Sunday at the Sunday School by the rector or the junior warden; Sunday School teachers, 12; pupils, 30 to 60.

The stated collections are weekly, and for all objects, parochial and benevolent.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $40; Contingent fund, $10; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $25 (by Female Miss. Soc.); Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $11; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $3; American Tract Society, $20; Western Seamen's Friend Society, $33; Evangelical Knowledge Society, $5; American Bible Society, $5; Sunday School Library, $10; Repairs and other incidentals, at least $122—Total, $284.

The rector is happy in being enabled to say that the parish has improved in almost every respect during the past year.

GEORGE DENISON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 1; total, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 6; lost—by removal, 12; present number, 60. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4. Average number of children attending at the catechising, about 25 or 30. Number of times catechised, about 15 or 20. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 46.

The stated collections are monthly at the offertory for such benevolent objects as may be designated by the rector.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent fund, $6; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $55; For. Miss. Committee, $25; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $15; S. S. Library,

$40; Repairing the Organ, $23; Music Books for the choir, $10: Organist for the last six months, $34; Sundries, including a donation for chairs for the chancel, $27 60—Total, $270 60.

The parish is in a united and flourishing condition. The pews are all rented, and the contributions of the people liberal in proportion to their ability. There has been on the whole a gradual, but sure and steady increase of strength since the rector took charge of this parish a little more than a year ago. May the Lord grant unto us a more abundant supply of the influences of his Holy Spirit, that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Ohio City.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 26; total, 27. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 70. Marriages, 9. Burials, 17. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechised, usually once a month. Sunday School teachers, 7; scholars, 60.

The stated collections are monthly, at the communion for alms.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $15; Contingent fund, $4; Domestic Missionary Committee, $17 53; Diocesan Missions, $7 20; For Sunday School Library, $10 78; other charitable and pious uses, $23 38—Total, $77 89.

LEWIS BURTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 5; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 3; present number, 70. Marriages, 1. Burials, 7. Sunday School teachers, 6; pupils, 30.

J. A. BRAYTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—infants, 11. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 10; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 82. Marriages, 2. Burials, 6. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechized, 4. Sunday School teachers, 20; pupils, 100.

The stated collections are monthly communion-alms, and weekly offerings for general church purposes.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $55; Contingent fund, $10; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $70; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $72 56; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $28 52; Communion alms, $42 13; American Bible Society, $13 50; Am. Tract Society, $50*; Western Bethel, $15*; Towards completing the church, $300; Rector's salary in full—Total, $1,361 71.

Our new church was consecrated and occupied on the 1st of December, since when there has been a marked increase in the size of the congregation. Without referring to the spiritual advancement of the people, and without intimating but that there is room for improvement in that which is commenced, the state of the parish generally is healthy and such as a clergyman could wish it to be. The prosperity of this parish is, under God, owing chiefly to the faithfulness of the vestry.

C. W. FITCH, *Rector.*

*Not taken up in the church, but estimated.

St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 5; total, 7. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—by admission, 5; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 1; present number, 44. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 20. Sunday School teachers, 7; pupils, 35.

The stated collections are usually made at the Offertory, for Missions and other church objects.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $7; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $2 29; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $1 72; Other objects, $1 29—Total, $18 35.

During the past year every third Sunday has been spent in this parish. The congregations have been good. There is evidence of improvement, I trust, both in temporal and spiritual things.

A time-piece has been placed in the church, by the kindness of Mr. E. Blakeslee of Cincinnati, and the ladies of the congregation have carpeted the chancel. H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

Baptisms—infants, 8. Communicants added—by admission, 8; by transfer, 2; present number, 20. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 24; Sunday School teachers, 10; pupils, 80.

When in March last I entered on the duties of this parish, I found a comfortable church edifice nearly finished and free of debt, and we purpose, with God's blessing, to work within our means, and keep so. I have much pleasure in being able to testify of the praiseworthy zeal of the ladies of the church in promoting its temporal interests. They have, through the kind assistance of ladies of Cincinnati, New York, Chillicothe and Oxford, and a donation from Rev. J. B. Britton of $20, with their own efforts, realized the sum of $470 86, since the commencement of 1846.

The church has received a donation of Sunday School books from Mrs. Dana and Miss Alsop of Connecticut, also from a Sunday School in Philadelphia, through the Am. S. S. Union, and lastly, a pair of glass lamps for the pulpit from Augustus Soyez, Esq., of this place, costing $12. Such is the encouraging statement of temporal matters up to this time. As far as spiritual prospects are concerned, we have also great reason to be encouraged. Our house of worship is well attended by attentive congregations. In addition to the regular services in the church, I visit five other places in rotation on week days. Our church is now ready for consecration, and there are several candidates awaiting confirmation. THOMAS B. DOOLEY, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 13; total, 15. Confirmed, 10. Communicants added—by admission, 11; by transfer, 3; lost—withdrawn, 1; by death, 2; by removal, 6; present number, 130. Marriages, 7. Burials, 12. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 92; number of times catechized, 20; Sunday School teachers, 24; pupils, 149.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $60; Contingent fund, $10; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $175; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $25; For Western Seaman's Friend Society, $15; For building church at Lancaster, $40—Total, $325. ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants—present number, 12.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1—Total, $6.

G. B. STURGES, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Baptisms—infants, 17. Communicants added—by admission, 9; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 8; present number, 79. Marriages, 3. Burials, 9. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 60.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $45; Contingent fund, $5; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $55; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $10; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $15; Communion alms, $54 58; Bethel cause, $50; from Ladies' Sewing Society for organ debt, $75; for other objects, $7; from members of the congregation towards organ debt, $103—Total $419 58.

The Bishop has not visited the parish since the last Convention, and therefore no mention is made of confirmations. The parish is in a sound and healthy state, the services are well attended, the responses audible and full, though the ministrations have not the spiritual effort that the rector would wish. My missionary services have been rendered at New Haven, Huron county, a village of some importance, thirty miles south of Sandusky City. A small band of devoted Episcopalians, numbering seven communicants, reside there, and as they were earnestly desirous of enjoying the services of the church, I made an appointment to officiate to them once a month during the winter season. The services were very fully attended and seemed to be duly appreciated. I spent one Sunday among these sheep of the fold, held three services, and administered the holy communion to about twenty persons, seven of whom were communicants of the church. Mrs. Elanor Thompson, an aged servant of our blessed Master was then present for the last time in his earthly sanctuary. She went from the church to her couch, there to exhibit an example of Christian patience and resignation worthy of the primitive saints. This eminent Christian had been upwards of sixty years a devout communicant of the church, and every day, during her sickness, she desired her grand-daughter, Mrs. Crowell, to read to her the service for the visitation of the sick, the burial service, the 15th chapter of 1 Cor. and the last chapter of Revelations. A few days before her death I administered, in private, the holy communion to her, and her daughter and six grand-children partook with her of the emblems of Christ's broken body and shed blood, when, in repeating the *Gloria in Excelsis*, her spirit seemed well nigh to take its flight from earth on the wings of love and praise. She died in the triumphs of faith, and I committed her body to the ground, looking for the general resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke co.,

Has been without a rector since November last. Lay reading has been conducted regularly since April last.

Communicants added—by admission, 3; lost—by removal, 1; present number, 29. Sunday School teachers, 6; pupils, 42.

The stated collections are one monthly collection to assist in defraying the contingent expenses of the church.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: for the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2. Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $6 37 ($3 37 of which have been received

from the Sunday School Scholars since January last by monthly collections) —Total, $28 37.

In addition to the above amounts, occasional collections have been taken up for other specific purposes. W. COLES, *Senior Warden.*

St. John's Church, Springfield, Jefferson county.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 4; present number, 24. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 15.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $4 38—Total, $16 38.

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville.

Baptisms—infants, 5. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added—by admission, 5; lost—by death, 4; present number, 20. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1—Total, $6.

RICHARD GRAY, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 25; total, 28. Confirmed, 14. Communicants added—by admission, 10; by transfer, 5; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 8; present number, 122. Marriages, 12. Burials, 12. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechized, 26. Sunday School teachers, 15; pupils, 95.

The stated collections are monthly, for contingent expenses; and quarterly for Missionary and other objects.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $16 50; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $67 37; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $10; Other objects. $250—Total, $403 87.

The rector has officiated in other places about twenty-four times, and baptized one infant; his own pulpit being supplied on every Sunday and on Wednesday evenings, with the exception of one each, during the last conventional year; also daily services and sermons during passion week.

INTREPID MORSE, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants, 14. The state of things in this parish more than usually interesting. ELI ADAMS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Troy.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants added—by transfer, 3; lost—by suspension, 3; present number, 21. Marriages, 1.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $7; Foreign and Domestic Missionary Committee, $1 25—Total, $8 25. WM. MILLER, *late Rector.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

Confirmed, 2. Communicants lost, 3, stricken from the list—See Canon XV; present number, 17. Burial, 1.

The following sum has been raised for the Episcopate, $2.

Something less than one-third of my time has been spent in this parish. The services this year have been held in the church. I am sorry to say, the prospects of the parish are not encouraging. Removals, deaths, the distance which some live from the church, and apathy in others, make its present prospects unfavorable. Yet may God revive his work here. Though there is no Sunday School in the church, a small one is taught by one of the communicants near the centre of the harvest field. H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Church of the Epiphany, Urbana.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Candidates for Confirmation, 4. Communicants added—by admission, 10; by transfer, 2; present number, 12, and in Kenton, 4. Marriages, 2. Burial, 1. Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 10 to 15.

The stated collections are monthly for incidental expenses. These collections have amounted to $9 53. The parish has been so recently organized, no other collections have been made.

It is expected measures will be taken in a few months to secure the erection of a church edifice for this infant parish, with fair prospects of success. A commendable zeal is manifested by the friends of our church in this place. Public services are well attended.

The rector would also report, that he has officiated one Sunday in each month in the thriving town of Tiffin, the county seat of Seneca county. The congregations there are often large, and several families feel interested in the final establishment of the church. There are however no communicants as yet, though several ladies have expressed the desire of becoming so at no distant day. In Kenton, the county seat of Hardin county, services have been held on two week-day evenings. Large congregations listened to the preached Word. Three Episcopal families reside here, including four communicants, who feel grateful for even the occasional services of the church.

C. B. STOUT, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakeman.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Present number of communicants, 20. Average number attending the rector's catechism class, 2; number of times catechized, 2. Sunday School teachers, 2; pupils, 12.

The stated collections are at Christmas for Foreign Missions; at Easter for Diocesan Missions; Tenth after Trinity for Episcopate.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $2 12½; Foreign and Domestic Misssionary Committee, $1; for finishing the church, $110—Total, $119 12½.

This parish is small, both in members and ability; but it comprises so much piety and zeal, that its prospects, on the whole, are encouraging. The church is now painted and consecrated, and the services are regular, one half of the time. ABRAHAM BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Warren.

Baptisms—infants, 4. Present number of communicants, 20.

Paid for travelling expenses of Rev. John Hughes, for visit on call, $22—Total, $22.

We have raised for church building purposes, though not entirely among our own people, about $1700. Our church is completed, with the exception of a little moveable furniture. We have failed in every attempt to secure the services of an acceptable clergyman. S. D. HARRIS, *Warden*

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Present number of communicants, 20.
The following sum has been raised for the Episcopate, $15.

GEORGE THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 5; by transfer, 2; lost—by death, 1; present number, 31. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, 30.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $5—Total, $17.

R. N. NASH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 6; total, 10. Confirmed, 14. Communicants added—by admission, 15; by transfer, 8; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 11; present number, 113. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6. Sunday School teachers, 15; pupils, about 100 enrolled, average attendance through the year, about 65. Average number of children attending the catechism class, about 40.

The stated collections are twice monthly, on the first Sabbath for contingent expenses, and at the monthly communion.

The sums raised in the congregation during the year have been appropriated as follows: For Foreign Missions, $37 40; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, $88; Colonization Society, $34; Sunday School, about $35; Episcopate, $45; Convention Expenses, $12; in payment of the Church debt, about $1,000—Total, $1,251 40.

The rector is happy in being able to report that the church is now entirely free from debt, about $14,000 having been expended in its erection. The pews are all occupied, and the income has materially increased since the period of the last report. But there is special reason for the expression of thankfulness in the fact, that our Heavenly Father has favored us with a season of spiritual refreshing. It is believed that the work is not yet ceased, but that impressions still exist, from which fruit may be expected. The rector, with gratitude to the Divine Head of the Church, acknowledges that this year's labors, though arduous and very imperfect, have been peculiarly delightful.

WM. A. SMALLWOOD, *Rector.*

Rev. S. A. Bronson

Reports to the Bishop that his time has been devoted to the discharge of his duties as an officer of Kenyon College and instructor in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese. He has preached regularly in his turn in Rosse Chapel, and occasionally at other places.

Rev. John L. Bryan

Reports to the Bishop, that during the year past, he has not performed much minister al duty. His health is still infirm, and his eye-sight so much impaired as to render it difficult to officiate in public. One funeral has been attended, and one sick member of the church visited, in the absence of the minister of the parish.

Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D.,

PRESIDENT OF ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, CINCINNATI.

During the last year my educational duties in connection with St. John's College and Rugby Hall, have occupied my attention almost wholly. The latter—the boarding branch—which with the College has been steadily increasing in numbers and usefulness, has tasked my best efforts in Biblical and ministerial instruction on the Sabbath, as well as during the week. In addition to this I have preached occasionally in Cincinnati and Covington. In both branches of the Institution, the Bible is the text-book of religious instruction and duty, and it is our aim to make its teaching and spirit pervade and control every department. The organization of the College, under the Act of Incorporation, and with a full and laborious Faculty, and the provision made for the care and instruction of the family of boarding pupils at Rugby Hall, by the appointment of a resident chaplain and family tutors, promise, with the large accession of new students with which the annual session has just opened, a gratifying enlargement of our sphere of religious and educational duty and usefulness.

Rev. Alexander F. Dobb.

Besides the duties of my chair in Kenyon College, I have officiated in my turn in Rosse Chapel, preached several times in St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, and in St. James', Zanesville; also, twice in Christ Church, twice in St. Paul's, and twice in the Mission church, Cincinnati. I have also conducted a Sunday evening Bible Class, baptized one infant, and officiated at one funeral.

Rev. William Granville.

Reports that he has preached in the parish of Christ Church, Penfield, every fourth Sunday. There are nine communicants there. He has officiated at no baptism, marriage or funeral in the parish during the year.

In the parish of St. John's Dover, he has officiated three-fourths of his time. There are there thirteen communicants. He has officiated at one marriage and two funerals in that parish. Besides the above he has officiated in Liverpool one Sunday, Litchfield one, Columbia one, and in Medina two; in Columbia, two baptisms.

Rev. Charles F. Lewis,

CHAPLAIN AND TUTOR IN ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE AND RUGBY HALL, CINCINNATI.

The duties of this appointment have been but recently assumed. In connexion with the duties of the tutorship is assigned the religious instruction of a portion of the students. Every Sunday afternoon is devoted to this object.

Since my resignation of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield, I have preached on several occasions in the Dioceses of Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky, and also once in Christ Church, once in St. Paul's, and twice in St. Paul's Mission Chapel, Cincinnati. In addition to present regular duties I am officiating temporarily in Trinity Church, in the absence of the rector. Baptism has been administered to one infant in the parish of Trinity Church, Lyme.

Rev. Henry Payne.

My weakness of voice so continues as to make me fear to take charge of a parish, yet not so as to prevent me from occasionally ministering in the blessed work of the Saviour. During the past year I have preached in Troy

fourteen times, in Piqua three times, at Nine Mile once, officiated at two funerals, and baptized one infant.

This has been the least useful year of thirty years past, yet in reference to my own soul and its eternal interests, I trust it has been useful, for though more trying and painful, it is often more profitable to suffer than to do.

Rev. H. L. Richards

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that since his resignation of St. Paul's, Columbus, on Easter Monday last, he has officiated in various places for his clerical brethren, to the amount, on an average, of one service or more per Sunday. He has also performed the offices of the church, such as baptism, burial and marriage, in several cases, which have been recorded in the records of the parishes when they were performed. He is thankful to a kind Providence in being able to say, that improved health and returning strength and vigor inspire him with hope, that ere long he will be enabled to engage again in the regular stated duties of his office.

Rev. Thomas M. Smith

Reports to the Bishop, that since resigning his charge of Harcourt Parish, in December last, he has, in addition to his duties in the Theological Seminary, regularly officiated in his turn in Rosse Chapel, and occasionally assisted the rector in the administration of the communion. He has also, at the request of the rector, catechized the children of the parish monthly in the church, on the Lord's day, and attended the Sunday School teachers' meeting. In addition to the above, he has preached repeatedly at St. Paul's, Mount Vernon; and also at Trinity, Newark; St. Peter's, Delaware; Christ Church and St. Paul's, Cincinnati; and at Trinity Church, Columbus. He has also married one couple in Rosse Chapel, and baptized one infant in Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Rev. George Thompson

Reports, that soon after the last Convention he resigned the rectorship of St. James' Church, Wooster, since which time he has been temporarily engaged in Toledo and Steubenville, three months in the former place, and two months in the latter. Since my last report I have baptized one infant, solemnized one marriage and performed the funeral services five times.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing

Reports, that he has had no parochial charge during the past year, having been engaged as heretofore in the duties of instruction in the Theological Seminary and those connected with the office of its Treasurer and Agent. He has preached a few times at Gambier and elsewhere.

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Constitution and Canons

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall in like manner be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated Seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve till others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE IX.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE X.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case, the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XI.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place; and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

Canons.

CANON I.

Of the trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.

Sect. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which according to Canon XXXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sect. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

Sect. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

Sect. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sect. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sect. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sect. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt

and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

Of the Vestry of a Church.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has

not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

Of the Admission of a Church or Congregation into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

Of Attendance on Convention, and Requisites for the Admission of Lay-Deputies.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.

CANON V.

A List to be made of the Ministers in the Diocese.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 2. In addition to the register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

SECT. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VII.

Of Vacant Congregations.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VIII.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint

as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

Of Lay Readers.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.

Of preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.

Of the Secretary of the Convention.

Sect. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sect. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XII.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Sect. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

Sect. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.

Of Missions, and of Education for the Ministry.

Sect. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

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Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

Sect. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

Sect. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

Sect. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sect. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sect. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

Sect. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sect. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XIV.

For the Support of the Episcopate.

Sect. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sect. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sect. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.

Of Lay Discipline.

Sect. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

Sect. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be

the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVI.

Of Contingent Expenses.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects: 1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To defray the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.

Of Alterations in the Canons and Additions thereto.

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor, (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.

Repealing of former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

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Rules of Order.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present, if not—some other person appointed by the Chair—shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay

Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2nd, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2nd, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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Form for the Organization of Parishes in the Diocese of Ohio.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors,

do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

Abstract of the Bishop's Address.

Number of Parishes visited,----49
Parishes in which Confirmations have been held,----29
Number of persons confirmed,----207
Admitted to Holy Orders—to Deacon's, 4; to Priest's, 8; total,--12
Candidates for Orders,----8
Churches consecrated,----7
Clergy received from other Dioceses, 9; removed into other Dioceses, 6; present number in the Diocese,----70
New Parishes organized,----3

Next Convention.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Grace Church, Sandusky City, on Wednesday, the 12th day of September, 1849, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary of Convention.

ERRATA.

The following paragraph was accidentally omitted in the proceedings of Thursday morning:

J. L. Reynolds, Esq. tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, to take effect after the rising of this Convention, he being about to remove from the Diocese; which was accepted.

The following Clerical Report was received too late for insertion in its proper place on page 82:

Rev. A. Sanford,

RECTOR OF GRANVILLE FEMALE SEMINARY,

Reports to the Bishop: That since his last report his time and efforts have been devoted to the interests of the Seminary. The School continues to receive a liberal share of patronage, and affords a field for daily religious teaching, equal perhaps to almost any other situation. God has smiled upon our humble efforts, and many, it is confidently believed, through the gracious influence of the Holy Spirit, have here been trained not only for usefulness in this world, but for happiness in Heaven.

Also, on page 77, 20th line from top, for "effort," read "effect."

Also, last line of page 77, for "$6 37" read "$16 37."

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INCORPORATED SOCIETY

FOR THE

RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND CHILDREN

OF

DECEASED CLERGYMEN

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN OHIO.

COLUMBUS:
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FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for $50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of $3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due until paid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, ($50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one half that amount, ($75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note.

6. At the death of a contributor, his premium note shall be cancelled, but the amount for which he may be indebted to the Corporation on other grounds shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor till one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they be twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such

shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them: but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years; or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child may come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her, during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among the children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years, if a male, or twenty-five, if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children at the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they may have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow, if she be still alive, and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, or the term of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family as he may see fit.

Rules

FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex-officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and

make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, was holden in Trinity Church, Columbus, September 16th, 1848.

The Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., took the Chair.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer presented his annual Report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Secretary then presented the following Report, which, on motion, was accepted:

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

The Secretary asks leave to submit the following report in relation to the proceedings and present condition of the Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Ohio. It affords him great pleasure to say, that the Society is steadily gaining ground in the estimation both of the Clergy and Laity of our Church, and that its present financial condition is quite as prosperous and encouraging as could have been anticipated by its warmest friends, at this early stage of its existence.

At the date of the Treasurer's last annual report, the financial condition of the Society was as follows, viz:

Premium and other notes of members	$1,934 08
Stock in Mechanic's Bank, New York,	219 98
Cash in Treasury	30 83
Total	$2,184 89

The receipts during the past year, according to the Treasurer's report just read, have been as follows, viz:

Collection at Convention, Zanesville		$41 21
Contributions from 24 parishes		212 74
Annual payment of members, including $69 91 for notes taken up		261 49
Interest on Bank Stock, &c.		26 94
Total		$542 38
Premium notes	$300 00	
Note of one member	2 41	
		$302 41

It appears that, after deducting the notes which have been paid, there has been an increase during the past year, in Notes, $232 50; in Cash, $542 38—Total, $774 88. The only expenditure contained in the Treasurer's report is the sum of $9 75 for printing.

The following statement will show the present condition of the funds:

Premium and other notes of members	$2,386 56
Cash on hand	563 46
Bank Stock	219 98
Total	$3,170 00

The premium notes which are not available except in case of necessity, amount to $2,150, leaving a balance of available funds of $1,020.

It must, however, be borne in mind that $50 91 of the parochial contributions acknowledged in the Treasurer's report properly belong to the previous year, but were not received in time to be embraced in his former report; which reduces the amount of parochial contributions the past year to $161 83. This is an advance on the previous year of $35 85 from this source. Only 16 parishes, however, we regret to say, have taken collections in behalf of the Society during the year, while several of the wealthiest congregations in the Diocese have as yet rendered us no assistance in this way. We are encouraged to believe, from the assurances which have been given, that during the year to come, we shall have a large accession to our funds from the liberality of the churches in the Diocese.

The following are the names of the parishes which have aided the Society the past year, viz: St. Paul's Church, Steubenville; Christ, Dayton; St. James', Cross Creek; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson co.; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Trinity, Columbus; Grace, Sandusky City; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; Trinity, Jefferson; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. Peter's, Delaware; St. James', Piqua; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; St. Paul's, Medina.

There have been added during the year six new members: present number, 44. No deaths, we are happy to report, have occurred among its members since the Society went into operation, and of course there are yet no annuities on the Society. We cannot, however, expect the continuance of so favorable a state of things in this respect for any length of time. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that every effort should now be made to increase the available funds of the Society, so that it may be prepared for any exigency which, in the providence of God, may arise.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOS. MUENSCHER, Secretary.

Columbus, Sept. 16, 1848.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. Mr. Muenscher, was adopted:

Resolved, That hereafter parochial contributions shall be applied in payment of the premium notes of members, whenever so requested.

The following substitute for Article 6 of the Fundamental Laws was proposed by Rev. Mr. Muenscher, and ordered to be laid over for final action till the next annual meeting, when absent members shall have leave to vote thereon by proxy:

"ART. 6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity."

The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were re-elected, viz:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., President (ex officio).
Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, of Mt. Vernon, Secretary.
M. W. STAMP, M.D., of Mt. Vernon, Treasurer.

On motion, the Society adjourned *sine die*.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary*.

Treasurer's Report.

The Clergy, Widow and Orphan Society, in account with M. W. STAMP, *Treasurer.*

1847.	CR.	Notes and stock.	Cash.
Aug. 31	By Balance of Cash from old account		$30 83
	Balance of Notes and Stock from old account	$2,154 06	
Sept. 14	By Cash collections at All Saints' Church, Portsmouth, by		
	Rev. E. Burr, $12; St. Peter's, Delaware, by Rev. E. H.		
	Canfield, $10; St. Paul's, Medina, by Rev. G. S. Davis,		
	$6; St. James', Piqua, by Rev. C. W. Fitch, $7 30;		
	Trinity, Jefferson, by Rev. H. Hollis, $1 59; St. Mat-		
	thew's, Plymouth, by do., $1 22; St. James', Boardman		
	and St. Stephen's, Canfield, by Rev. Mr. Lewis as week-		
	ly offerings, $3 25; St. Philip's. Circleville, by Rev. C.		
	B. Stout, $9 55		50 91
	By Cash from Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, $9; Rev'ds Jas.		
	B. Britton, $3 36; J. T. Brooke, $3; Alf. Blake, $3 18;		
	Jno. L. Bryan, $3 18; E. H. Canfield, $3; A. F. Dobb,		
	$3; Geo. Denison, $3; G. S. Davis, $6; W. C. French,		
	$3 18; R. Gray, $3 18; Alvah Guion, $9; L. L. Hol-		
	den, $3; H. Hollis, $3 18; R. S. Killin, $3 36; Edw.		
	Lounsberry, $3; A. T. McMurphey, $3 18; A. Phelps,		
	$3 36; H. L. Richards, $6; Wm. Smallwood, $9; C.		
	B. Stout, $6 18; Geo. B. Sturges, $3 18; J. Rice Tay-		
	lor, $3; Edw. Winthrop, $3 36; Abm. Wheeler, $6;		
	M. T. C. Wing, $3		110 88
	By Cash collection at Convention at St. James', Zanes-		
	ville		41 21
24	By Cash from Rev. Jos. Muenscher		9 00
27	Rev. H. Payne		3 36
Nov. 10	Rev. T. B. Fairchild		3 00
Dec. 4	Rev. Abm. Bronson		3 00
	By Premium Note of Rev. Abm. Bronson	50 00	
16	By Cash from Rev'ds E. Boyden, $3; R. K. Meade, $3		6 00
28	Rev. T. M. Smith		6 37
1848	By Cash collection at St. Paul's, Steubenville, by Rev. I.		
Jan. 4	Morse		10 00
	By Cash from Rev. G. B. Perry, annual payment		3 00
	Rev. W. W. Arnett		3 00
	By Cash collection at Christ Church, Dayton, by Rev. W.		
	W. Arnett		2 00
	By Premium Note of G. B. Perry	50 00	
7	By Premium Notes of Rev. R. K. Meade, $50, and Rev.		
	Ebr. Boyden, $50	100 00	
11	By Cash from Rev. C. W. Fitch, annual payment		3 0

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

1848.	Cr.	Notes and stock.	Cash.
Feb.	1 By Cash collection at Cross Creek, $3 25; Springfield, Jefferson co., $4 38, by Rev. R. Gray		7 63
	16 By Premium Note of Rev. W. W. Arnett	50 00	
	22 By Cash collection at St. Paul's Norwalk, by Rev. Edward Winthrop		15 00
Apr.	6 By Cash coll. at Trinity, Columbus, by Rev. D. A. Tyng		12 00
	26 By Cash collection at Grace, Sandusky, Easter Off'g, by Rev. L. N. Freeman, $15; annual payment of do. $3		18 00
May	4 By Cash collection at St. Paul's, Cincinnati, by Rev. G. Gillespie		34 18
July	3 By Cash collection at St. Paul's, Mt, Vernon, by Rev. Jos. Muenscher		9 43
May	8 By Cash Mechanics' Bank Dividend, $7 92, and one per cent. premium thereon 8 cts		8 00
Sep.	9 By Cash collection at Trinity, Jefferson, by Rev. H. Hollis, $2 50; do. at St. Matthew's, Plymouth, by do., $1 72; H. Hollis' Note for 1846, $3; in part of H. Hollis' annual payment for 1848-9, 59 cts; interest on balance of H. Hollis' annual payment, 19 cts		8 00
	By Cash Rev. Abm. Bronson's annual payment for 1848-9		3 00
	By Note of H. Hollis in part of annual payment for 1848-9	2 41	
	13 By Balance of interest to this date		18 94
	14 By Cash collection at St. Paul's, Chillicothe, by Rev. Jas. B. Britton, $10; do. at St. Peter's, Delaware, by Rev. E. H. Canfield, $10; do. at St. James', Piqua, by Rev. C. W. Fitch, $18 77; do. at St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, by Rev. L. L. Holden, $3 60; do. at St. Paul's, Medina, by Rev. G. S. Davis, $10		52 37
	By Cash for Notes cancelled Rev'ds Jas. B. Britton, $6; Alfred Blake, $3; W. C. French, interest, 19 cts.; H. Payne, $6 55, and interest 20 cts.; Chas. B. Stout $3, and interest 12 cts.; M. T. C. Wing, $3 18, and interest 32 cts.; S. A. Bronson, $6, and interest, 18 cts.; Erastus Burr, $6, and interest, 36 cts.		35 10
	By Cash for annual payment per Rev. Jos. Muenscher, Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, $3: Rev'ds E. H. Canfield, $3; A. Phelps, $3; J. L. Bryan, $3; R. Gray, $3; E. Winthrop, $3; Geo. Denison, $3; J. B. Britton, $3; J. T. Brooke, $3; H. Payne, $3; W. C. French, $3; A. Guion, $3; J. Rice Taylor, $3; Chas. B. Stout, $3; Levi L. Holden, $3; M. T. C. Wing, $3; J. B. Dooley, $3; S. A. Bronson, $3; Erastus Burr, $3; W. A. Smallwood, $3; A. Blake, $3; Alex. F. Dobb, $3		66 00
	By Premium Note of Rev. Thos. B. Dooley	50 00	
		$2,456 47	$573 21
	There are further Dividends from the Mechanic's Bank not yet brought into this account.		
1847.	Dr.		
Sept.	14 To Notes paid and given up Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, $6; Rev'ds G. S. Davis, $3; Alvah Guion, $6; H. L. Richards, $3; W. A. Smallwood, $6; Chas. B. Stout, $3; A. Wheeler, $3	30 00	
	24 To Cash paid printing account per receipt of Rev. Joseph Muenscher		9 75
	28 To Notes of Rev. Joseph Muenscher paid and given up	6 00	
1848.	To Note of Rev. Thomas M. Smith paid and given up	3 18	
Sept.	9 Rev. H. Hollis paid and given up	3 00	
	14 To Notes cancelled of Rev. Jas. B. Britton, $6; A. Blake, $3; H. Payne, $6 55; Chas. B. Stout, $3; M. T. C. Wing, $3 18; E. Burr, $6	27 73	
	To Balance at credit of new account	$2,386 56	$563 46
		$2,456 47	$573 21

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GRACE, Berkshire,
ST. JAMES', Boardman,
ST. STEPHEN'S, Canfield,
ST. DAVID'S, Centerville,
ST. PAUL'S, Chillicothe,
CHRIST, Cincinnati,
ST. JOHN'S, Cincinnati,
ST. PAUL'S, Cincinnati,
TRINITY, Cincinnati,
ST. PHILIP'S, Circleville,
GRACE, Cleveland,
ST. PAUL'S, Cleveland,
TRINITY, Cleveland,
ST. LUKE'S, Columbia,
ST. PAUL'S, Columbus,
TRINITY, Columbus,
ST. JAMES', Cross Creek,
ST. JOHN'S, Cuyahoga Falls,
CHRIST, Dayton,
ST. ALBANS', Deersville,
ST. PETER'S, Delaware,
ST. JOHN'S, Dover,
ZION, Dresden,
ST. STEPHEN'S, East Liverpool,
ST. ANDREW'S, Elyria,
ST. PAUL'S, Euclid,
CHRIST, Franklin,
HARCOURT, Gambier,
ST. STEPHEN'S, Grafton,
ST. LUKE'S, Granville,
ST. PAUL'S, Greenville,
ST. MATTHEW'S, Hamilton,
ST. PAUL'S, Hartsgrove,
CHRIST, Hudson,
CHRIST, Huron,
TRINITY, Jefferson,
ST. JAMES', Kingston,
ST. JOHN'S, Lancaster,
CHRIST, Liverpool,
ST. PAUL'S, Lower Sandusky,
TRINITY, Lyme,
ST. MATTHEW'S, Madison,
GRACE, Mansfield,
ST. LUKE'S, Marietta,
ST. PAUL'S, Marion,
ST. TIMOTHY'S, Massillon,
ST. PAUL'S, Maumee City,
ST. PAUL'S, Medina,
ST. LUKE'S, Milan,
ST. MARK'S, Mill Creek,
ST. PAUL'S, Mt. Vernon,
TRINITY, Newark,
ST. MARK'S, Newton Falls,
ST. PAUL'S, Norwalk,
ST. JOHN'S, Ohio City,
ST. JAMES', Painesville,
CHRIST, Penfield,
BETHEL, Peninsula,
ST. MATTHEW'S, Perry,
ST. JAMES', Piqua,
ST. MATTHEW'S, Plymouth,
GRACE, Pomeroy,
ALL SAINTS', Portsmouth,
ST. PETER'S, Rome,
IMMANUEL, Roscoe,
GRACE, Sandusky City,
ST. MARK'S, Sidney,
CHRIST, Springfield, Clarke Co.,
ST. JOHN'S, Springfield, Jeff. co.,
ST. THOMAS', St. Clairsville,
CHRIST, St. Mary's,
ST. PAUL'S, Steubenville,
ST. PHILIP'S, Strongsville,
TRINITY, Toledo,
TRINITY, Troy,
ST. MICHAEL'S, Unionville,
EPIPHANY, Urbana,
ST. JOHN'S, Wakeman,
CHRIST, Warren,
CHRIST, Windsor,
ST. JAMES', Wooster,
ST. JOHN'S, Worthington,
ST. JAMES', Zanesville.

TOTAL—86.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, OCTOBER, 1849.

[An asterisk * is prefixed to the names of those not entitled to seats in the Convention. Those marked thus † were not present at the Convention.]

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. ELI ADAMS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Euclid, and St. Philip's, Strongsville.

†The Rev. JOSEPH ADDERLY, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield.

†The Rev. WILLIAM W. ARNETT, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

†The Rev. BENJAMIN P. AYDELOTT, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

†The Rev. ANDREW D. BENEDICT, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

*†The Rev. HIRAM N. BISHOP, Deacon, residing near Theological Seminary, Va.

The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

*†The Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON, residing at Painesville.

The Rev. JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

†The Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and Missionary.

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., President of Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. Lewis Burton, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. E. H. Canfield, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. Anson Clark, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

†The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D.D., President of St. John's College, Cincinnati.

The Rev. J. W. Cracraft, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.

*†The Rev. E. H. Cumming, Deacon.

†The Rev. G. S. Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. George Denison, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. Alexander F. Dobb, Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.

†The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Missionary.

The Rev. George Washington Dubois, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's, Newton Falls.

The Rev. Abraham Edwards, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

†The Rev. John Foster, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Troy.

*The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman.

The Rev. William C. French, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

†The Rev. George D. Gillespie, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

†The Rev. William Granville, Missionary, officiating at Penfield and Liverpool.

†The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

†The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and Missionary.

†The Rev. E. W. Hager, Deacon, Minister of St. James' Church, Painesville.

†The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

*†The Rev. Albert Helfenstein, Rector of Christ Church, St. Mary's.

†The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector of Trinity Church, Jefferson, and St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and Missionary.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

*The Rev. George Johnson, Deacon.

*†The Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphey, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's, Madison, and Missionary.

*†The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron.

The Rev. William Miller, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, and Missionary.

†The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

The Rev. Rodolphus K. Nash, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Grace Church, Berkshire.

*The Rev. William R. Nicholson, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

*The Rev. Henry Payne, Agent of the American Tract Society.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Bethel Church, Peninsula.

*†The Rev. Henry L. Richards, residing at Columbus.

†The Rev. Chandler Robbins, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Springfield.

†The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Rector of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. Thomas M. Smith, Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, at Gambier.

*†The Rev. John Cotton Smith, Deacon.

The Rev. K J. Stewart, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Rev. Charles B. Stout, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.

The Rev. George B. Sturges, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, and Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

†The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan.

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The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.

The Rev. DUDLEY A. TYNG, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

*†The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, residing in Cleveland.

The Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

†The Rev. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.

†The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

The Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Total—75.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION,

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D.,

CINCINNATI.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION,

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

DELAWARE.

JOURNAL.

St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon,
Thursday, Oct. 11th, 1849.

A Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, held in this place on the 11th of September last,* having appointed this as the time and place for holding the Annual Convention of said Church, (on account of the prevalence of epidemic disease at Sandusky City, the place appointed by the last Annual Convention,) the Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled as above at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Lloyd Windsor, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland, and the Lessons by the Rev. Joseph M. Waite, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster. The Bishop read the Ante-Communion Service. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Anson Clark, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, from 2 Cor. iv. 7: "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

After the conclusion of divine service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop, who then presented a List of 63 Clergy entitled by the Constitution to seats in the present Convention, which be-

* For proceedings of said Special Convention, see Western Episcopalian, Sept. 12, 1849.

ing called by the Secretary of the last Convention, 27 responded to their names, and others afterwards appeared and took their seats.

The List of Parishes was also called by the Secretary of the last Convention, and the certificates of their Lay Delegates were laid on the table.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Secretary. On motion of Rev. Edward Winthrop, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. William C. French, Secretary of the last Convention, having been nominated, was unanimously reëlected.

The Chair appointed the following Committees:

On Examination of Credentials.—Rev. A. Clark, Rev. T. B. Fairchild and H. L. Noble.

On Unfinished Business.—Rev. E. Winthrop and F. Wolcott.

On Finance.—Rev. Dr. Muenscher, Dr. W. Wood and E. Boalt.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment.

After devotional exercises, the Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and several in addition to those present this morning, answered to their names.

The Rev. Anson Clark, from the Committee on the Examination of Credentials, reported the follow-

ing as entitled to seats, when those present answered to their names:

Christ Church, Hudson. J. E. Ryan, J. Hertzell,* J. A. Quay.*

St. Luke's, Marietta. Arius Nye,* Charles Sullivan,* Grayden Medlicott.*

Christ, Franklin. Edward Parsons.

St. Paul's, Cleveland. H. L. Noble, James Kellogg,* Elisha T. Sterling.*

St. Mark's, Mill Creek. Joseph Mitchell.

St. Paul's, Norwalk. Eben Boalt, S. Patrick,* C. E. Newman.

Trinity, Lyme. John Clark.

St. James', Wooster. Henry Lehman, James Johnson.

St. James', Zanesville. James Caldwell, Wm. F. Kent.

St. James', Piqua. M. G. Mitchell,* Wm. Scott,* John H. D. Johnson.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati. Wm. Wood, D. K. Cady,* S. W. Pomeroy.*

St. Paul's, Akron. F. Wolcott, R. P. Spaulding.*

St. John's, Ohio City. David Griffith.

All Saints', Portsmouth. Enos Gunn.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier. Mardenbro White, Lemuel Holmes, H. L. Thrall.

Grace, Sandusky City. E. S. Lane, James D. Whitney.*

St. Timothy's, Massillon. Thomas McCullough,* Kent Jarvis,* C. K. Skinner.

St. Paul's, Columbus. Charles R. Britton,* Ezra Gilbert.*

Grace, Mansfield. T. W. Bartley,* H. B. Horton,* John Harvey.

Epiphany, Urbana. Abraham Robinson,* Wm. F. Slater,* Samuel H. Robinson.*

St. Matthew's, Madison. Robert Armstrong,* Charles Long, Geo. Carroll.*

Zion, Dresden. Jas. Robinson,* Geo. W. Adams, Alex. C. Martin.*

St. Luke's, Granville. W. S. Richards,* A. P. Prichard,* J. L. Huggins.*

St. Peter's, Delaware. C. Howard,* Wm. Owston, Cyrus Platt.

St. Paul's, Mount Vernon. C. P. Buckingham, H. S. Miller, R. C. Hurd.

The Committee also reported that the Credentials from Christ Church, Dayton, were deficient, in not

* Those marked with an asterisk were not present at the Convention.

stating that the Delegates were Communicants. This fact being vouched for by members of the Convention, they were received as follows:

Christ Church, Dayton. W. Munger, R. A. Kerfoot.

The Bishop appointed the following additional Committees:

On Missions.—Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. C. W. Fitch, and R. C. Hurd.

On Canons.—Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Dr. Bronson, C. P. Buckingham, and D. Griffith.

The Bishop then read his Annual

ADDRESS:

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:—

After a year in which our Diocese and many of our congregations, in common with other parts of our country, have been visited with a desolating pestilence from the hands of the Lord, we meet together again without a single death to mourn among our ministers. Several have been laboring in the midst of danger, faithful to their calling and called to lament the death of beloved parishioners, but the Lord has spared our clergy. No such tree in the vineyard has been cut down; no such branch of the true vine has been taken away. Why is it? Who can help answering—that we may attain more growth in grace; that we may manifest more of the life of faith; that we may bring forth more fruit in our personal holiness and in our work as Ministers of Christ. How should the awful manifestation of the hand of God in the desolations which many of us have seen, and all have heard of, impress us with a sense of the uncertainty of this life, of the facility with which God, with a breath, can turn all the pride of man to dust and all his joy to mourning; of the greatness of the work which ministers of God are charged with to souls unprepared to die; of the need and duty of their being always alive in their own hearts and unceasing in their efforts, by all the means which their Master has put into their hands, to call sinners to repentance and to lead them to Christ. Never shall we know the whole solemnity of our office, nor the full value of the Gospel we

have to preach, till we stand at the bar of God to answer for our faithfulness, and see all those to whom we are sent receiving at his hands their sentence to hell or their acceptance to His own glorious kingdom.

But while we are thankful to the Father of all mercies for his sparing hand toward our clergy, and that while many of our parishes have shared in the pestilence, many more have been permitted to escape it entirely, we cannot but remember that many of our brethren of the laity have been sorely afflicted in the death of beloved relatives, and have a claim upon our affectionate sympathy. Let us pray and hope that to them the chastening hand of God may be richly sanctified, and that our congregations and our whole land may learn righteousness and may be led to attend with greatly increased earnestness to the things which make for their eternal peace, by such examples of the judgments of God.

I desire thankfully to acknowledge on this occasion the goodness of God to me and my family during a visitation of disease the last winter, scarcely less fatal than that of which I have been speaking. Dangerously ill myself, with three of my children successively in the same state, we were raised up again to our accustomed health. The Lord be praised!

According to the requirement of our canons I proceed to the statement of my official acts since our last meeting.

My visitations since the last Convention have embraced the following parishes, viz: Grace Church, Sandusky City; an incipient parish at Bellevue; Christ Church, Huron; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. John's, Dover; St. John's, Ohio City; Grace Church, Cleveland; Trinity Church, do.; St. Paul's, do.; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky; Trinity Church, Toledo; St. Paul's, Maumee City; Christ Church, Springfield; St. Matthew's, Hamilton; Christ Church, Dayton; St. James', Piqua; St. Paul's, Greenville; Trinity Church, Troy; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Grace Church, Pomeroy; St. David's, Centerville; All Saints', Portsmouth; St. James', Zanesville; Zion Church, Dresden; St. Matthew's, Madison; Immanuel, Roscoe; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. Matthew's, Perry; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. James', Wooster; St. Stephen's, Grafton; Christ Church, Penfield; Christ Church, Liverpool; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Philip's, Strongsville; St. Paul's, Medina; Christ Church, Cincinnati; Trinity, Cincinnati; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. James',

Kingston; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. John's, Lancaster; Trinity, Newark; St. Luke's, Granville; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; Christ Church, Warren; St. James', Boardman; St. Stephen's, Canfield; St. Timothy's, Massillon; St. Paul's, Akron; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; Christ Church, Hudson; Bethel Church, Peninsula; Christ Church, Franklin.

While not occupied in visitations, I have generally preached twice each Sunday; in the morning at one or other of the Churches in Cincinnati, and in the afternoon at the Chapel near my residence in the vicinity of that city.

The Confirmations have been as follows: In Grace Church, Sandusky City, confirmed 3. St. John's, Ohio City, 5. Grace Church, Cleveland, 8. Trinity, do., 9. The Rector of St. Paul's, Cleveland, being absent when I visited that parish, I held no confirmation there. St. Paul's, Norwalk, 2. St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky, 1. Trinity, Toledo, 4. St. Paul's, Maumee, 5. Christ Church, Springfield, 8. Christ Church, Dayton, 4. St. James', Piqua, 2. St. Paul's, Greenville, 1. Trinity, Troy, 1. St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 9. Grace Church, Pomeroy, 8. St. David's, Centerville, 13. All Saints', Portsmouth, 21. St. James', Zanesville, 8. Zion, Dresden, 8. St. Matthew's, Madison, 4. Immanuel, Roscoe, 3. St. Mark's, Mill Creek, 2. Grace, Mansfield, 4. St. James', Wooster, 11. St. Stephen's, Grafton, 1. St. Philip's, Strongsville, 3. St. Paul's, Medina, 9. Christ Church, Cincinnati, 3. Trinity, do., 4. St. Philip's, Circleville, 4. St. Paul's, Chillicothe, 13. St. John's, Lancaster, 10. St. Luke's, Granville, 1. St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 22. Harcourt Parish, Gambier, 15. Christ Church, Warren, 8. St. Timothy's, Massillon, 5. St. Paul's, Akron, 4. St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, 2. Christ Church, Hudson, 5. Bethel Church, Peninsula, 2. Christ Church, Franklin, 1—254.

Since my address to the last Convention, *five* candidates for orders have been ordained Deacons, viz: Chandler Robbins, John Cotton Smith, E. W. Hager, Edward H. Cumming, and George Johnson. *Four* Deacons have been ordained Priests, viz: the Rev. Dudley A. Tyng, H. B. Walbridge, R. S. Nash, and A. D. Benedict.

The number of candidates for orders is *four*, namely: E. A. Strong, John B. Boyd, Benjamin Austin, and George E. Thrall.

Two new churches have been consecrated, viz: Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Christ Church, Warren. A short time ago I was

expecting daily to receive from our brethren of St. Paul's, Cleveland, a request to go and consecrate their new Church. A spacious and excellent edifice had been erected by dint of great exertions on the part of that new and enterprising and rapidly increasing parish. It was nearly completed, when, probably under the match of an incendiary, it was all consumed. In an hour nothing remained. The expense was all lost. The affliction of the congregation was very great. They deserve and must receive the affectionate sympathy of their brethren. I am happy to say that, encouraged by the kind interest expressed in their condition by many in Cleveland, they have already laid the foundation of another church, more spacious than the former. I trust the liberality of their brethren in other parishes will be extended to their aid.

There have been four new parishes organized and duly reported to me since the last Convention, viz: St. Paul's, Marion; St. John's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, St. Mary's; and St. Luke's, Cincinnati.

I have received letters dimissory transferring the canonical residence of clergymen to this Diocese in favor of the following, viz: the Rev. K. J. Stewart, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, now Rector of St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. Samuel Marks, from the Diocese of Wisconsin, now Rector of Christ Church, Huron; the Rev. William R. Nicholson, from the Diocese of Louisiana, now Rector of St. John's, Cincinnati.

The following clergymen have left this Diocese since the last Convention, viz: the Rev. J. S. McElhinney, removed to Pennsylvania; the Rev. C. F. Lewis, to the Diocese of Michigan; the Rev. R. S. Nash, to the Diocese of Virginia; the Rev. Ephraim Punderson, to the Diocese of Western New York.

The following changes have taken place within the Diocese since the last Convention. The Rev. G. W. Dubois has resigned the parish of Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and taken charge of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's, Newton Falls. The Rev. B. P. Aydelott, D.D., has succeeded him in the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Cincinnati. The Rev. Andrew D. Benedict has taken the Rectorship of St. Philip's, Circleville. The Rev. J. A. Brayton has resigned St. James', Painesville, and the Rev. E. W. Hager has become Minister of the same. The Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., has resigned the Professorship of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and the Rectorship of Harcourt Parish, Gambier, and resumed

the Rectorship of Christ Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. A. F. Dobb has succeeded to the Rectorship of Harcourt Parish, Gambier. The Rev. George Denison has resigned Trinity Church, Newark, and become Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College. The Rev. John Foster has become Minister of Trinity Church, Troy. The Rev. L. N. Freeman has resigned Grace Church, Sandusky City. The Rev. Albert Helfenstein has taken charge of Christ Church, St. Mary's. The Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel has resigned St. Paul's, Columbus. The Rev. George Thompson has taken charge of St. Paul's, Marion. The Rev. Alexander Varian has resigned Grace Church, Cleveland. The Rev. Joseph M. Waite has resigned the Missionary Chapel in Cincinnati, and taken charge of St. James', Wooster.

During the last winter, difficulties having arisen between the Vestry and other members of St. Paul's Church, Columbus, and the Rev. A. M. Loutrel, their then Rector, I was applied to by the former to take measures under Canon 34 of 1832 to effect a dissolution of their relations one to another. The Presbyters of the Diocese were accordingly notified to meet me at Columbus on the 12th of February, for the purpose of considering the case. The issue of that meeting was the unanimous opinion that Mr. Loutrel should resign the Rectorship of said Parish, and on the same being communicated to him, he signified his compliance and resigned.

Soon after, the same clergyman was presented to me for trial by the Standing Committee, on sundry grave charges founded on what was alleged to have transpired during the difficulties between him and his parish. A Board of Trial was appointed and convened at Columbus on the 16th of May. The accused did not appear, but his reason for not appearing was sustained. The Board having adjourned to meet again at my call, was convened again on the 13th of June. Again the accused failed to appear, and now without giving any reason. Whereupon he was reported by the Board for contumacy, and I proceeded according to the Canon of the Diocese regulating the trial of a Presbyter, to suspend him for contumacy, until he should tender himself ready for and should receive his trial. Having afterwards received his declaration of being ready to appear for trial, the Board was assembled a third time and the trial proceeded. In consequence of the accidental misplacement of an important document making part of the evidence on the side of the prosecution, which document was not found till after the Board had adjourned, several

important specifications were necessarily abandoned. Of one charge, that of deliberate misrepresentation, the accused was found *not guilty*. Of the four other charges, viz: of *knowingly and deliberately violating the Canons of the Diocese of Ohio;* of *deportment grossly disrespectful and indecorous towards his Vestrymen and his Bishop;* of *language highly abusive and slanderous towards sundry respectable persons;* of *scandalous and disorderly conduct, unbecoming a Christian minister*, he was found *guilty*. The verdict of the Board was, that "while in their judgment Mr. Loutrel is deserving of severe punishment, they do, in consideration of various circumstances connected with the case, advise the Bishop to admonish him as solemnly as in his opinion the case requires."

What were the circumstances to which the Board thus refer, do not appear in the evidence which has been laid before me, nor have I received any official information concerning them. If it was right that they should modify the verdict, they should have been proved in the testimony. After consideration of the evidence as laid before me, I am compelled to look upon the award recommended by the Board of Trial, as extremely lenient, no matter what sort of admonition or what mode of ministering I may be able to adopt. Had Mr. Loutrel remained in Ohio until he could hear from me after I had received the opinion of the Board, his admonition might have been administered without delay. But as he has chosen to go into Indiana, and I am about going to the Eastern States for some weeks, he will have to wait my return, when I shall require his attendance at Columbus, to receive the admonition where the trial took place and the offences were committed. Meanwhile he will continue under suspension.

The attention of the Convention is especially called at this time to the subject of our Diocesan Missions.

I have recently received from the Secretary of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society the notification that in consequence of the state of the finances of that Society, it has been concluded to make no more appropriations to Missions in the Diocese of Ohio. We are thus to be left hereafter entirely to our own resources. What I chiefly regret in this, is its suddenness. It would have been better had the Committee given us a year's notice, so that we could have taken measures to secure the missions hitherto depending on their appropriation from injury and suffering, instead of thus suddenly, without a day's notice, cutting off all their stations in the diocese, and leaving the Missionaries so unexpectedly without

support. In any other point of view, if the cause of missions shall be now properly taken in hand among us, we shall suffer no loss by the change. The idea that we were assisted by the General Society, and that we were assisted much beyond the reality, has always operated to keep down exertions which might have been made among ourselves, or to send contributions to that Society which ought to have been kept at home. Let it now be understood that we are committed, under God, exclusively to our own efforts; that *we* must support our missions, or they fall; let us remember that from the beginning of this month, the aid of the General Society to the Missionaries hitherto depending on it, ceased; that the question is now exclusively for us to answer whether those stations shall be abandoned and our missionary operations in general be more confined than they have been, or whether they shall be continued as before and enlarged; let each parish minister solemnly consider his duty to God and the Church in Ohio, and lay the cause suitably and frequently before his people, and we shall find that we *can* do a great deal more than we have ever done in this behalf. I fear the report of the Missionary Committee will be far from an encouraging exhibit of the zeal of the Diocese for the support of its own missions.

There is need of attention to the Resolution of the Convention passed some years ago with regard to Convocations, lest their action in regard to the support of particular missionaries within their respective bounds, should interfere with the canonical duty of your Missionary Committee, and so impede and confuse instead of promoting its proper work.

You are aware that difficulty arose this year for want of a provision in the Constitution of the Diocese providing for the alteration of the time and place of the Convention, when epidemic disease makes that appointed by the previous Convention or by the Constitution necessary. It seems expedient that measures should be taken at once to provide against the occurrence of the same difficulty in future. And while the Constitution is thus under consideration it would be well to consider whether the time when the Convention usually meets is the best, and if it be to make it the fixed constitutional time, instead of its being as at present subject to an ordinary resolution changing it from year to year. If another time would be better, let it be ascertained and fixed by constitution, so that nobody need be dependent on the Journal for his knowledge, from year to year, of the time of the meeting of the Convention.

Difficulty has arisen from the want of some way of determining, and some authority to determine, when a parish shall be considered as so far defunct as not to be entitled to representation in the Convention, nor a subject of assessment for the expenses of the diocese; and thus not properly to be placed on the list of parishes in the Journal. It necessarily happens, from various causes which you are all acquainted with, that parishes which either were organized without sufficient reason or which never attained much growth beyond their organization, fall away and become virtually defunct. They may not signify to us that they wish to be considered as defunct; a few members may remain, but there is no body that ought to be represented on this floor, or that may be expected to answer any assessment for the expenses of the Diocese. Their names remain on our Journals—they appear on the list of assessments—only to delude us. What shall be provided on this subject, it is time for the Convention to consider.

We need Prayer Books for gratuitous distribution and for sale at the lowest possible prices. We have been already indebted to the Bishop White Prayer Book Society in Philadelphia for supplies, and I have no doubt that if we do our proper part toward assisting the funds of that Society, we will be supplied to the extent of our wants. I would therefore earnestly recommend to the clergy that they devote one collection each year to that Society. Its books are particularly well made, and are sold at very low prices, when not given.

The little time that I have had between my last visitation and the sitting of this Convention prevents me from addressing you on any but such points as could not well be omitted. What I have said, has been prepared under pressure of much duty and little opportunity. I have only to conclude by my humble prayer, dear brethren, that the Lord and Head of the Church will direct you in all your doings with his most gracious favor, and further you with his continual help, that all things being begun, continued and ended in Him, may glorify His holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Missions, was referred to the Standing Committee on Missions; so much as relates to defunct parishes, was referred to the Committee on Canons; so much as relates to the amendment of the

Constitution and Canons was referred to the same Committee.

Rev. E. Winthrop, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, offered the following

Report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report that on page 60 of the Journal for 1848, they find the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the Report of the Special Committee on Delinquent Parishes be recommitted, with instructions to report at the next Convention."

On page 61, an Article is proposed to be added to the Constitution.

On the same page, an alteration of Article III. is proposed; and an alteration and addition to Article X.

EDWARD WINTHROP, }
FREDERICK WOLCOTT, } Committee.

Which was received and laid on the table.

Rev. Prof. Smith, on behalf of the Missionary and Education Committee, read the following

Report:

The Missionary and Education Committee report to the Convention, that during the year they have made appropriations to eleven Missionaries and four Beneficiaries, amounting in all to $1,225. Of the Beneficiaries, two are in a course of preparation for the holy ministry, in Kenyon College; one has recently entered the Theological Seminary; and the other having completed his course of preparation, has been admitted by the Bishop to the order of Deacons. The Committee regret to state that in consequence of the remissness of the Churches in forwarding collections, and the failure of those who have given pledges, to redeem them, they have found it impossible to meet their appropriations. So much straitened have they been for funds, that some of the Missionaries who have been faithfully laboring in feeble parishes and in destitute portions of the Diocese, have not as yet received any part of the moderate allowance which has been made to them. The Treasurer's report will exhibit a sad falling off in the receipts when compared with those of former years. The collections in the Churches have been fewer in number and smaller in

amount than formerly; while the pledges which were made in aid of the Missionary cause, have only in a very few instances been redeemed. On the pledges made three years ago, of $5 annually for 5 years, there was a deficiency, at the close of the first year, of about one-fifth; at the close of the second year, of about one-half; and now at the close of the third year, the deficiency is almost total. The same is true to a considerable extent in regard to the pledges which were made at the meeting of Convention. The system, thus far, seems not to be attended with the happy results which its friends anticipated. The Committee would therefore respectfully suggest to the Convention, whether some more efficient plan of raising funds cannot be adopted, which will secure a larger amount; and at the same time enable the Committee to determine with more accuracy the number of Missionaries to be employed, and the amounts they can safely appropriate.

How much has been contributed by the several Convocations for the support of Missions within their own bounds, the Committee have no means of determining, no report of their doings having been made to them. They deem it important for the sake of giving more unity and efficiency to the work of Missions and of Education in the Diocese, that the several Convocations should be brought into a more intimate relation to the Missionary and Education Committee, so that in all cases the responsibility of nominating all Missionaries shall rest with the Bishop, according to the Canon; that no Missionary shall be appointed without the consent of the Committee; and that each Convocation shall report the amount of money received, and each Missionary the amount of labor performed, directly to the Committee.

There are many promising fields for Missionary enterprise which the Committee would gladly occupy if they could. Scattered about in almost all parts of the Diocese may be found members of our own household of faith, who long for the services of the Church, but who can enjoy them only in the occasional visits of clergymen whose services are demanded by their own parishes; and thousands who are connected with no religious denomination, but who are bound equally with ourselves to the judgment of the great day. To gather them into the fold of Christ; to feed them with the bread of life; and to scatter far and wide the seed of divine truth, is a labor of love which the Committee would rejoice to undertake if they had the means. This is the appropriate work of the Church; its high vocation with which it has been honored by its great head. To this work the Committee would invite the special attention of the Convention, remembering the exhortation of the Apostle, and the precious promise con-

nected with it: "let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. SMITH, Secretary.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to nominate the usual Committees for the ensuing year.

The Chair appointed the following said Committee: Rev. Messrs. Clark, Wing, Burr and Fairchild, and Messrs. Lehman, Munger and White.

On motion,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to nominate a Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

The Chair appointed Rev. A. Blake, Rev. E. H. Canfield, and H. S. Miller, said Committee.

The Secretary gave notice that he had appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, it was resolved to take up the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business.

The first item in the Report, being the resolution on page 60 of the last Journal, recommitting the report of the special committee on Delinquent Parishes, and none of that committee being in the present Convention, it was

Resolved, That a new committee of three be appointed, to whom the subject of delinquent parishes shall be referred.

After some conversation, said resolution was reconsidered, and on motion of Rev. L. Windsor the whole subject was referred to the Finance Committee.

Rev. A. Clark, from the Committee on Credentials, reported that the papers relative to the organiza-

tion of St. John's Church, Cincinnati, were agreeable to the required forms:

Whereupon, on motion, said Parish was received into union with the Convention, and the Secretary called the names of the Delegates as follows:

St. John's Church, Cincinnati. Daniel P. Strader, George H. Pendleton,* Wm. H. Derby.*

Rev. L. Windsor asked and obtained leave to read the following Memorial, from the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula:

ST. PETER'S, ASHTABULA, Aug. 21, 1849.

I hereby certify that, at a meeting of the Vestry, duly convened, in which the Rector presided, they elected Benjamin P. Ensign, Stephen B. Wells, and William Seymour, a Committee to prepare Resolutions or a Memorial to be presented to the next Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, signed by the Vestry: and that the following Memorial was prepared and signed accordingly.

JOHN HALL, Chairman.

A. H. GRISWOLD, Secretary.

Memorial.

TO THE NEXT CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO:

The memorial of the undersigned, members of the congregation of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, also Wardens and Vestrymen of said Church, respectfully calls your attention to the resolutions adopted by the last Convention affecting said congregation, appearing on page 55 of the Journal.

We certify to the fact, that the Rector and Congregation have never taken part in the late correspondence or controversy between members of former vestries and the Bishop.

The undersigned were, at the last Easter Monday election, unanimously chosen Wardens and Vestrymen.

We therefore respectfully request the present Convention to repeal said resolutions, or in their discretion so to amend them as to exempt the Congregation from the penalties, really or apparently, as the case may be, imposed by them.

In presenting this memorial we wish to avoid misapprehension of our spirit and intentions towards all in any way concerned. We

have therefore waived in the present instance all discussion as to the power of the Convention of a Diocese to pass resolutions of the character in question.

We disclaim all right to bind the Congregation except in matters provided by Canon, or authority to try and condemn or acquit either clergymen or laymen, and therefore refrain from expressing any opinion on the character of the correspondence or controversy between members of the late vestry or vestries, and the Bishop.

We also waive all discussion as to the right of Vestrymen to memorialize, or remonstrate with, a Bishop or Presbyter, and in the event of such proceedings being properly or improperly conducted, as to who, in contemplation of law, are to be commended or liable to penalties or to be censured in any way.

We only wish to press upon your better consideration a reliance, in your proceeding, on the simple facts, that neither our Rector nor his Congregation have taken any part whatever in said correspondence or controversy: That the Bishop, both officially and personally, has, without exception, at all of his visitations, been received and treated by our Rector and people with all proper respect and attention: That they have studiously endeavored to adopt and follow the worship of the Church as prescribed, to submit to its order and discipline, and to obey and observe its canons and established usages.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. C. GRAHAM, } Wardens.
S. B. WELLS, }

JNO. F. GIFFORD,
A. H. GRISWOLD,
G. C. FOX, } Vestrymen.
WILLIAM SEYMOUR,
B. P. ENSIGN,

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke, the above papers were laid on the table, and ordered to be taken up to-morrow morning.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, Oct. 12, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Convention assembled, and united in devotional exercises.

The Secretary called the rolls of Clergy and Lay Delegates, and read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, which was amended and approved.

The Committee on Credentials reported in favor of receiving into union with the Convention the new parishes of Christ Church, St. Mary's, and St. Paul's Church, Marion, and they were accordingly received.

The same Committee also reported the following additional Lay Delegates:

St. John's Church, Worthington. C. E. Burr.

Christ Church, Cincinnati. William Proctor, Charles Schultz, Edmund Pendleton.

Rev. N. Badger, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, made an informal report, which was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

Rev. E. Burr, on behalf of a Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, presented the following

Memorial:

The undersigned Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary have been instructed by the said Board to ask the attention of the Convention to the subject embraced in the following preamble and resolution, viz:—

"Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the time has come when it is due to the interests of the Institution under our charge to change the investment of a portion of its lands, and not being disposed to proceed in so grave and important a matter without an assurance of the approbation of the Church generally in this Diocese, therefore,

Resolved, That the Convention be respectfully requested to signify to this Board whether they will sanction a proposition to sell a portion (say about three-fourths) of the Seminary domain, and so invest the proceeds as that the interest alone shall be used, and a sinking fund provided for the extinguishment of the debt.

The Convention will not be surprised to learn that the Trustees of the Institution have not as yet been willing to assume the respon-

sibility of a general sale of the lands, when it is considered how important the question is, and that men of the best and purest minds are divided in relation to it. The action of the last Convention furnished no sufficient basis on which the Board might rest the responsibility of a general sale and change of investment of the property, inasmuch as little more was determined at that time than the fact that the Diocese, as then represented and disposed, was nearly equally divided in opinion on the question. They are therefore induced again to ask the advice of the Convention, in the hope that a decided expression of sentiment may be obtained.

That the Convention may be fully informed of the proceedings of the Board on the subject since it was before the Convention at its last annual meeting, the undersigned would state that the Board held a meeting some time in February last to consider, among other matters, the subject of selling the lands of the Institution, when a Report, (hereto appended,) from a Committee of the Board, based upon a communication of the Treasurer and Agent in relation to the finances of the Institution, was submitted, and (after the consideration of other propositions) the following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this Board feels compelled by the present pecuniary exigencies of the Institution to yield to the necessity of selling so much of the lands belonging to the same, and lying south of Vernon River, as will relieve it of its most pressing demands.

Resolved, That the Committee hereinafter named be and they are hereby directed to offer for sale so much of that portion of the Seminary lands as will in their opinion be sufficient to effect the object above specified, viz. to meet such demands against the Institution as require immediate payment.

Resolved, That the Rev. Mr. Wing, under the direction and advice of Messrs. Delano, Curtis and Stamp, be authorized to carry into effect the above resolutions, prescribe the terms of sale, fix prices, and make application of monies received to meet the demands against the Institution.

The Committee appointed as above deemed it inadvisable to proceed in the matter so far as to sell any of the lands specified, and for reasons assigned by the Agent in a recent report to the Board, a portion of which is here subjoined, as follows, viz:

"In accordance with the instructions of the Board at their meeting in Columbus, I had 1096 acres of the land south of the River surveyed into lots of about 100 acres each, with a view to a public sale. But having been able to obtain temporary loans to meet the then pressing claims against the Institution, and agreeing with a majority of the Committee appointed to act with me in the matter, that the sale of the portion surveyed had better be postponed till the ques-

tion of a more general sale was disposed of, I have done no more than to obtain the plats of the survey, which is herewith submitted.

"With a view to the sale of a larger portion of the College lands, I have examined the map, and find them susceptible of a much more convenient division into farms than I had supposed. I submit the map, with some thirty-four farms marked on it, for the examination of the Board. It will be seen that this division contemplates a reserve of some seven or eight hundred acres for the use of the Institution.

"Should the sale of the lands be determined on, it has occurred to me to suggest to the Board that some agency should be employed to procure the settlement of them, either by a colony of Episcopalians from the East, or at least by individuals from abroad who would be drawn hither by regard to the religious and literary advantages here offered. If this could be done, many of the most serious objections to the alienation of the lands would be removed."

The undersigned would thus, in behalf of the Board, most respectfully submit the subject to the wisdom of the Convention, with the sincere hope and prayer that whatever may be their counsel on this important and solemn question, it may conduce to the glory of God and the best welfare of the Institutions committed to our care.

ERASTUS BURR,
HENRY B. CURTIS,
M. W. STAMP,
Committee of the Board.

[The following is the Report referred to in the above Memorial:]

The undersigned majority of the Committee to whom was referred so much of the communication of the Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, as relates to the state of the finances, and the subject of sale of part of the College lands, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following as their Report:

The pecuniary embarrassments of the Seminary, and the consequent depression upon the prosperity and success of its institutions, have long been the theme of reproach among its enemies, and the subject of deep mortification and regret with its friends. Various expedients have been from time to time resorted to, to relieve the institution from this great evil, with very little better results than temporary relief, procrastination, and increase of the debt by accumulations of interest and costs.

The Committee is informed that the present amount of debt against the institution, in various forms of liability, is about fifteen thousand dollars, the accruing interest on which is nearly equal to all the available annual income. Many of the creditors are pressing for

payment. Interest is in arrears. And unless means be speedily provided, portions of the real estate will be levied upon and sold under execution.. To add to these embarrassments, there being due a large arrear of taxes against the lands, the whole tract has been sold to satisfy this incumbrance.

To sustain the credit of the institution, or even to preserve its vitality, under such circumstances, and against such unhappy influences, seems to the Committee hopeless. The tax sale must be redeemed, and the other pecuniary embarrassments removed, or the institution must go into decay, perhaps be wholly lost.

The corporation holds in fee a body of four thousand acres of land, than which, for the usual various purposes of agriculture, none better can be found in Ohio. These lands are worth an average price of $20 per acre, and by many are estimated much higher. The annual rents from the improved parts of all this body of land, little, if any, exceed the bills of repairs and taxes. Is it wise then, to leave this noble institution, with its schools and colleges, thus fettered and bound, its character and usefulness lessened, if not destroyed; when, by a change of investment of the monies that are in these lands, or even a small portion of them, all the incumbrances might be removed, and an annual income secured that would give permanency and prosperity to the institution?

The undersigned have come to the conclusion, that, from motives of both *expediency* and *necessity*, we are urged and impelled to make sale of a portion of these lands. The tax sale can not be redeemed. Creditors will forbear making further costs, when they see a prospect of payment. If the institution do not sell, the officers of the law are likely to sell for us. The present is believed to be a favorable time for bringing the lands into market; and also for making investments of the surplus money that may be thereby raised.

The Committee have not been unmindful of the fact that doubts have been expressed in some quarters, as to the power of this corporation to part with the fee of the land. They have given due consideration to this objection, and without going into the details of facts respecting the title, or of principles of the law growing thereout, or the legal argument deducible therefrom, your Committee will here say, that they find the institution duly invested with the fee, free from any and all *lets or hindrances*, restraints, conditions or impediments; and with full power by its proper officers and seal, to alien and convey that fee to others. That the corporation acts through and by the government and direction of this Board. That as Trustees of the Seminary, we are, by law, its officers. And that our act is the act of

the body politic. Your Committee therefore entertain no doubt but that this corporation has the power to convey its lands, whenever it deems it expedient so to do. And that all objections which have been made, either as to its *right* or *power*, are unfounded and untenable.

Your Committee do not propose to bring into market at this present time, any part of the lands of the College section that lies north of the Vernon River. That portion which lies south of the river is supposed to contain fifteen hundred acres. It is chiefly timbered land, but a small part of it being in a state of improvement, and is separated from the other part of the section and the site of the College and Seminary buildings, by a river difficult to ford, and with precipitous banks. It is recommended that steps be immediately taken for the survey of this portion of the section into lots of suitable size for farms; and for sale of the lots on fair and reasonable terms.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That so much of the *College lands* otherwise called the "South Section," as lies south of the Vernon River, be immediately surveyed into lots and brought into market for sale.

2. *Resolved*, That Messrs. Delano, Curtis, and Stamp, be a Committee to carry into effect the preceding resolution, with full power to appoint an agent, establish an office, prescribe terms of sale, fix prices, and make applications of monies received to meet demands against the institution. But no permanent investment of surplus funds shall be made by said committee, until further ordered, or such investment be approved by this Board.

HENRY B. CURTIS,
I. DILLE.

Whereupon, on motion,

Resolved, That the document just read be referred to a special Committee, consisting of five.

The Bishop appointed as said Committee: Rev. A. Blake, Rev. C. W. Fitch, R. C. Hurd, D. P. Strader and H. L. Noble.

Rev. Dr. Brooke called for a second reading of the Memorial of the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, after which, on motion, it was ordered to be referred to a special Committee of five.

The Bishop appointed the following persons said Committee: Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. L. Windsor, Rev. J. T. Brooke, Eben Boalt and John Clark.

Rev. A. Blake, from the Committee for nominating a Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, presented the following names:

Rev. S. A. Bronson,	M. W. Stamp,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,	I. Dille,
Rev. E. Burr,	J. R. Swan,
Rev. J. Muenscher,	C. Delano,
Rev. J. T. Brooke,	J. Hall,
Rev. J. B. Britton,	R. C. Hurd.

Which was received, and for the present laid on the table.

On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 12, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and after devotional exercises, the roll was called, and

The Bishop directed the Parochial Reports to be presented, and laid on the table.

The Committee on Credentials reported the names of the following additional Lay Delegates:

St. James', Kingston. Elias Benton.

St. Paul's, Chillicothe. J. Woodbridge,* A. Douglass,* R. H. Lansing.*

Christ Church, Springfield. Alex. Garrett.

Rev. Anson Clark read a list of the names agreed upon by the Nominating Committee, which was received, and laid on the table for future action.

Rev. Dr. Brooke, from the Committee on Canons, read the following

Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address which suggests certain amendments of the constitution, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. In regard to two of the suggestions of the address, viz: the one for fixing by the constitution the *time* for holding the convention, and the other giving the Bishop the power of changing the *place* thereof on account of epidemic disease or other like cause, your committee recommend the following change in the IId article of the constitution, viz:

Strike out all of the first two sentences, and insert the following:

"There shall be a convention of the church in this Diocese on the second Wednesday of September in every year, at such place as the preceding convention shall appoint. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee, shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting."

2d. With respect to a third suggestion of the Bishop, respecting defunct parishes, your committee think that the confirmation by this convention of a proposed amendment of the constitution entitled article III, on the 61st page of the Journal of the last Convention, together with a new canon to be entitled canon IV, will adequately meet the case.

The new canon proposed under the authority of this amendment is as follows:

CANON IV.

Whenever a parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said parish, agreeably to article III. of the constitution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. BROOKE, Chairman.

The report was received, and its several propositions taken up for discussion.

The first amendment, proposing an alteration in the IId Article of the Constitution, was approved, and lies over for the action of the next Convention.

The second proposition, recommending the adoption of the new Article III, approved at the last Convention, and recorded on page 61 of the Journal for 1848, was then taken up.

Moved, by the Rev. C. B. Stout, that the words "or wholly dissolved," be so modified as to read: "or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved." Carried.

The Article thus amended, was then adopted by a unanimous vote, the two Orders voting separately, as follows:

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

The new Canon IV recommended by the same Committee was read in open Convention, and lies over for future action, agreeably with the XVIIth Canon.

Dr. Wood called up the amendment to the Constitution proposed by D. K. Cady at the last Convention, and recorded on page 61 of the Journal.

Rev. Dr. Bronson moved to amend the propositions, by inserting in Article III (now Article IV) of the Constitution, previous to the sentence, "The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only," the words, "When the vote by orders is called for."

Adopted, by the unanimous assent of both orders voting separately.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary reported; and after some discussion, their Report was re-committed, together with other documents presented by Rev. D. A. Tyng and others.

On motion, Rev. Dr. Brooke was added to the Committee.

The Convention then adjourned till 7½ o'clock, this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 12, 7½ o'clock, P. M.

After the usual devotional exercises,

Rev. W. A. Smallwood, chairman of the Standing Committee on Missions, read the following

Report:

The Committee on Missions respectfully report, that they have bestowed upon the subject committed to them, an attention corresponding with its great importance.

The divine Head of the Church has appointed that the gospel shall be preached to every intelligent creature, and the wants of every intelligent creature cry earnestly for the fulfilment of the appointment. The duty of executing this blessed purpose of mercy devolves upon the ministry; but for the maintenance of the ministry in the performance of its work, as well as for the increase of the members of the ministry, until in numbers and strength it shall become adequate to its task, the people of the Church are to be looked to. It must never be forgotten, that our adorable Redeemer has left the precept to his followers in general—"pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest," nor must the members of the Church fail to remember, in connexion with the command of the Saviour to his ministers, "go ye into all the world," that apposite question of the Apostle to the Gentiles, "how shall they preach except they be sent?" Prayer for an enlarged and more effective ministry on the one hand, and the providing of means, whereby the ministry may be sent to every creature,

on the other, are manifest and most incumbent duties of every member of the Church. And accordingly, by the first section of the 13th canon of this diocese, "it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote" missions and the education of a ministry.

It is to be lamented that these considerations, and the obligation growing out of them, have not been duly attended to by the people of this diocese during the past year. At the last Convention, the language of congratulation was used in reference to this subject. Far other language must be employed at the present time. Then the Missionary and Education Committee had an income of $2,000, now their income is only $1,200: then the debts of the Committee were reduced to $300, now they are increased to $800. The pledges made at different times for promoting the objects of the Committee have been disregarded to a very much greater extent than ever before. And what has been done by the parishes, has been done with a tardiness in many instances, and with an irregularity and disregard of the established system in others, which have produced great embarrassment in the work. Indeed, at this time, it is impossible to report what some parishes have contributed, because they have neglected to use the Committee as the channel for conveying their bounty to missionaries and beneficiaries.

In addition to all this, it must be remembered, that the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society has withdrawn the aid of several hundred dollars which has hitherto been extended to this diocese. The positions, however, where this aid has been received, are highly important, and yet without such aid cannot be sustained. Of course the burden of their support must now come upon this diocese, and to meet it our missionary funds must be very considerably enlarged. In view of this fact, it is clear that something very decided must be done by this Convention and the parishes towards the enriching of our Missionary treasury.

Under these circumstances, the action of the Convention seems to be imperatively called to three points:—first, the raising of a much greater amount of funds,—secondly, the regulation of the disbursements,—and thirdly, the securing, without pledges, of an estimate of the income from the several parishes, with a view to the guidance of the Committee in their engagements to missionaries and beneficiaries.

1. It is believed that the most successful plan has never yet been adopted by the Convention. This is the obtaining through the parochial clergy of pledges from the individual members of each parish

for weekly contributions, according to the suggestion in the 13th canon. The adoption of this plan will impose some labor on the clergy; but it will manifestly bring in a great income, and for such an object, the clergy will surely be willing to encounter some care and toil. And it may be added, that the care and toil thus required to be expended in the visitation of their parishioners, will be amply compensated by the increased force imparted to the cause of real piety as the effect of such visitation.

2. In making expenditures there must be a system, which will enable the responsible agents of the Church to discharge the trust committed to them. It will not do for each individual minister to appoint his missionary. The constituted agents of the Church are alone competent to this function, and they must be left unembarrassed in its discharge. Contributions must go through an established channel, or it will be impossible to know what we are doing. And the appropriation of moneys must be regulated by some power, or some missionaries will receive too much, and others too little. Hence, it is important to make the canon respected in regard to the appointment of missionaries and beneficiaries by the proper authority, and the transmission of all funds to their object through the established Committee.

3. And inasmuch as the Missionary and Education Committee are obliged to employ Missionaries and other agents in advance of the actual receipt of any income, it is obviously proper that they should be furnished with some estimate of what is likely to come into their treasury during each year. This has hitherto, at least of late, been accomplished by means of pledges from the ministers or delegates of parishes. The breach of these pledges in several instances has been referred to. This, with other evils connected with the system, suggests its abandonment. One of the most serious of those evils is the want of a power to make the matter a general action. Some ministers would come forward, but a part, and perhaps the greater part, would hold back. The evils may be obviated to a great extent by resorting to *estimates* instead of pledges, and those called for from the individual parishes by the Secretary of the Convention during its sessions.

The Committee, therefore, beg leave, in conclusion, to submit the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That each minister of this diocese having the charge of a parish, be requested, immediately after the adjournment of this Convention, to call on all the members of his parish, whom he shall deem able to contribute, for the purpose of obtaining pledges from them of the particular sums which they may feel disposed to devote

weekly towards the support of missions within the diocese, in accordance with the 2d section of the 13th canon of the same, the said pledges to be recorded in a Subscription Book to be kept by the minister, and the sums subscribed to be collected by him every month, if not previously paid, and to be transmitted at least quarterly to the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee.

2. *Resolved*, That no money, collected for diocesan missions by any minister, shall be paid to a missionary until such missionary shall have been recognized by the Missionary and Education Committee, nor then, except through the Treasurer of the Committee, though every minister or parish may designate the individual missionary to whom his or their contributions shall be granted, it being understood that no money will be recognized in the reports of the Committee unless paid under their direction.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to call the roll of the parishes, and that the minister of each parish thus called on, or in his absence, the lay-delegates therefrom, be requested to name a sum of money, as an *estimate* of what may be expected from that parish during the next year, as a contribution for missions and ministerial education.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. A. SMALLWOOD,
CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, } Committee.
R. C. HURD,

Which was received, and taken up for discussion.

The 1st resolution of the Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke offered the following resolution, in connection with the Report of the Committee:

Resolved, That in view of the withdrawal by the General Missionary Committee of their support of Missionaries in this Diocese, the Diocesan Missionary Committee be instructed to employ a temporary Agent to visit parishes, take up collections, and excite a Missionary spirit throughout the Diocese.

Accepted.

The discussion of the Report of the Committee having been protracted till a late hour, it was, on motion, laid on the table for further consideration to-morrow.

The Convention then adjourned till half-past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, Oct. 13, 9½ o'clock, A. M.

Convention assembled, and united in devotional exercises.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The second resolution of the Missionary and Education Committee's Report being in order, an amendment was offered and adopted.

The resolution as amended was lost.

After further discussion, it was ordered that the Report be laid on the table.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher, on behalf of the Finance Committee, presented the following

Report:

The Committee on Finance report that the following parishes, viz: St. Paul's, Maumee, St. Matthew's, Hamilton, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Christ Church, Franklin, and Grace Church, Berkshire, have asked the Committee to request the Convention to remit the arrearages charged to them respectively, towards the Episcopate and General Funds, and assigning satisfactory reasons why the request should be granted; and that Trinity Church, Cleveland, and St. John's, Ohio City, have asked for a remission of a part of their arrearages. The Committee recommend that the request of the above named parishes be granted.

JOS. MUENSCHER, Chairman.

Which was adopted.

Rev. W. A. Smallwood, on behalf of the Committee on the case of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, read the following

Report:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the communication from the Parish of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, respectfully report, that at the last Convention of this Church two resolutions

were passed specifying the terms on which St. Peter's Church might set itself right before the general Church, and in its relations especially to our Diocese. These terms, however, have not been complied with; but the Vestry seeks to be received to the privileges of Episcopal visitation on other terms. The Committee believe the subject was fully considered at the last Convention, and that it is not expedient to go behind the decision of that Convention. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it be recommended to the parish of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, to comply without delay with the substance of the terms submitted to them by the last Convention.

Resolved, That in so far as the Memorial of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, exhibits in its spirit an advance towards a compliance with the terms referred to, the Convention rejoice in it, and cherish the hope that another year will not elapse without restoring the parish, according to our recommendation, to its proper relations to the Bishop, by rescinding the former offensive official acts of the Vestry in this case.

Signed,

WM. A. SMALLWOOD,
LLOYD WINDSOR,
J. T. BROOKE,
EBEN BOALT,
JOHN CLARK,
} Committee.

The above Report was received, and unanimously adopted.

R. C. Hurd, on behalf of the Committee on the Memorial of the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary, read the following

Report:

The undersigned, to whom was referred the memorial of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, asking the advice of this Convention as to the expediency of selling "a portion, say about three-fourths, of the Seminary domain, and so investing the proceeds as that the interest alone shall be used, and a sinking fund provided for the extinguishment of the debts," have had the same under consideration, and now respectfully report the adoption of the following resolutions as the counsel of this Convention to the Board of Trustees.

1. *Resolved*, That the Convention are of opinion that the Board of Trustees have full legal authority to sell and convey in fee simple the lands belonging to said Seminary.

2. That a sale of a portion of said lands, as proposed by said Board, is expedient, not only to enable the Trustees to discharge

debts of the Seminary, but also to enable them to place that Institution upon a better footing as to its income.

3. That while the Convention do not desire to confine the Trustees to any particular scheme for the sale of said lands and the investment of the proceeds, they nevertheless submit to their earnest consideration the following suggestions, as a part of the counsel of the Convention:

1st. That the one-fourth part of said lands proposed to be reserved, shall be as far as practicable and expedient, in the immediate neighborhood of the buildings of the Institution, so as to defend the same as far as possible from the proximity of moral nuisances.

2d. That the proceeds of such sale shall be invested in some safe, permanent and productive securities, so that only the interest accruing therefrom shall be used, except so far as the rights or demands of present creditors may require an expenditure of the principal.

3d. That the annual expenditures and debts of said Seminary shall not be permitted to exceed the actual income of the Institution.

4th. That the foregoing principles be embodied, if deemed practicable by the Trustees, in By-Laws, so as to secure their permanent observance.

ALFRED BLAKE, Chairman of Committee.

Moved, that this Report be made the order of the day at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Lost.

Rev. C. W. Fitch moved to strike out the first suggestion in the 3d resolution.

On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, Oct. 13, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met, and after singing and prayer, the roll was called.

The motion of Rev. Mr. Fitch for striking out being in order, was, after some discussion, withdrawn by the mover.

The 1st and 2d resolutions were then unanimously adopted.

The 3d resolution being in order, the Rev. E. Burr moved the indefinite postponement of the remainder of the Report.

Five members calling for a vote by orders on this motion, it was carried by the following vote:

CLERGY.

Yeas.—Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, Rev. Messrs. E. Adams, N. Badger, A. Blake, J. B. Britton, S. A. Bronson, J. L. Bryan, E. Burr, L. Burton, A. Clark, J. W. Cracraft, G. Denison, A. F. Dobb, T. B. Fairchild, C. W. Fitch, W. C. French, L. L. Holden, A. T. McMurphey, W. Miller, J. Muenscher, R. K. Nash, A. Phelps, T. M. Smith, C. B. Stout, J. R. Taylor, G. Thompson, J. M. Waite, L. Windsor, M. T. C. Wing, E. Winthrop—30.

Nays.—Rev. Messrs. J. T. Brooke, G. W. DuBois, W. A. Smallwood, D. A. Tyng—4.

PARISHES.

Yeas.—St. Paul's Church, Akron; Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. John's, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cleveland; Christ Church, Dayton; St. Peter's, Delaware; Zion, Dresden; Christ Church, Franklin; Christ Church, Hudson; St. James', Kingston; Trinity, Lyme; St. Matthew's, Madison; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. Paul's, Mount Vernon; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Christ Church, Springfield; St. James', Wooster; St. John's, Worthington—19.

Nays.—St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; St. James', Piqua—3.

The previous part of the Report was then adopted.

Adjourned till 7 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

SATURDAY, Oct. 13, 7 o'clock, P. M.

Convention assembled, and united in devotional exercises.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Rev. A. Blake, on behalf of the Sunday School Committee, presented the following

Report:

The Columbus Depository has been open during the year. This Depository is managed entirely by Mr. I. N. Whiting.

The Committee, unable to find a bookseller to take charge of the stock of the Cincinnati Depository, have exposed it for sale at one of the Churches. On the debt to Rev. H. Hooker, $19.50 has been paid, leaving the present indebtedness $48.17. A list of the books, &c., of this Depository, was published in the Gambier Observer in November last; but the above amount has been realized almost entirely by sales to two Churches in Cincinnati. The Clergy in the southern part of the State are requested to patronize the Depository, especially with a view to liquidating the debt.

The Committee are not informed that any steps have been taken towards discharging the debt of the Cleveland Depository to the General Sunday School Union.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 12, 1849.

Which was accepted.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

The Secretary read the nominations of the Nominating Committee.

The name of Israel Dille, Esq., was withdrawn, agreeably to a wish which that gentleman was understood to have expressed.

Henry B. Curtis, Esq., was nominated in his place.

Rev. Dr. Brooke made the following additional nominations: C. P. Buckingham, Rev. C. W. Fitch, Rev. G. D. Gillespie, and Rev. W. C. French.

Rev. C. W. Fitch declined the nomination.

The Chair appointed the Rev. J. W. Cracraft, and Dr. Crittenden, tellers.

Pending the report of the tellers, Dr. Wm. Wood, Treasurer of the Diocese, read his Annual

Report:

The Treasurer presents the following Report to the Convention, exhibiting as nearly as possible the condition of the funds of the Diocese. The Episcopate and General Funds are arranged in separate columns, showing the amounts paid, and the amounts in arrears, in every parish.

WM. WOOD, Treas. Diocese of Ohio,
To EPISCOPATE FUND, DR.

For amount of cash received during the current year, .		$2,053 35
CONTRA CR.		
By amount paid Bishop as per voucher No. 1,	$1,264 39	
" " " " " No. 2,	10 00	
" " " " " No. 3,	778 96	
		$2,053 35

DIOCESE OF OHIO,
To RT. REV. C. P. MCILVAINE, DR.

For amount of arrears due him last year,	$732 16	
" " " salary per current year,	2,000 00	
		$2,732 16
CONTRA CR.		
By amount paid him as above, ...		$2,053 35
Amount of balance due, ...		$678 81
By cash received since the above report was made,		20 00
Balance, ...		$658 81

WM. WOOD, Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio,
To GENERAL FUND, DR.

For amount received during past year, . . .	$315 00
CONTRA CR.	
By sundry payments, as per vouchers, . . .	$315 00

The following are the arrearages due from both funds as far as ascertained:

ON EPISCOPATE.

Amount due Bishop McIlvaine, arrears of salary, .	$658 81

ON CONTINGENT FUND.

Due Bishop for balance of his account, ...	$24 44
" William B. Thrall, for publishing Journals, . . .	301 97
" Rev. Thos. M. Smith, ...	10 50
" Rev. Jos. Muenscher, ...	18 50
" Rev. W. A. Smallwood, ...	14 00
" Rev. C. W. Fitch, ...	7 50
" Dr. M. W. Stamp, ...	15 00
	$391 91

WM. WOOD, Treas. Diocese of Ohio.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.	Am't paid.	Amount in arrears.
	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.	D. C.
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	25 00	93 00	5 00	20 00
Akron, St. Paul's	30 00	35 00	4 00	8 00
Berkshire, Grace			5 00	
Boardman, St. James'	8 75	6 25	1 00	1 00
Boston, Bethel		7 00		2 00
Cincinnati, Christ	250 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150 00		30 00	
Cincinnati, Trinity	20 00		5 00	
Cleveland, Trinity	130 00		20 00	
Cleveland, Grace	10 00	60 00	2 00	7 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's	50 00		10 00	
Columbus, Trinity	85 00	29 00		30 00
Columbus, St. Paul's	12 10	17 90		8 00
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	95 00		15 00	
Canfield, St. Stephen's	16 50	1 50	2 00	2 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25 00		5 00	
Circleville, St. Philip's	45 00	8 00	8 00	
Centreville, St. David's	6 00	4 00	1 00	
Columbia, St. Luke's	4 00		1 00	
Cross Creek, St. James'	25 00		5 00	
Delaware, St. Peter's	45 00	5 00	8 00	
Deersville, St. Alban's	10 00	5 00	2 00	1 00
Dayton, Christ	62 00		8 00	
Dresden, Zion	16 00		4 00	
Elyria, St. Andrew's	5 00	38 00	2 00	6 00
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	3 00		1 00	
Euclid, St. Paul's	10 00		2 00	
Granville, St. Luke's	20 00		4 00	
Gambier, Harcourt Parish	69 00		9 40	
Greenville, St. Paul's	7 00		2 00	9 00
Grafton, St. Stephen's		13 00		5 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.				GENERAL FUND.			
	Am'nt paid.		Amount in arrears.		Am'nt paid.		Amount in arrears.	
	D.	C.	D.	C.	D.	C.	D.	C.
Huron, Christ			17	00	1	00	3	00
Hudson, Christ	33	00			8	00		
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	7	00			1	00		
Jefferson, Trinity	8	00					2	00
Kingston, St. James'	4	00			1	00		
Lyme, Trinity	8	00			4	00		
Liverpool, Christ			6	00			3	00
Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's	5	00	32	00			1	00
Lancaster, St. John's	4	00			1	00		
Marietta, St. Luke's	50	00			10	00		
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	60	00	11	00	8	00		
Massillon, St. Timothy's	35	00			5	00	5	00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	10	00			2	00	6	00
Medina, St. Paul's	30	00	15	00			5	00
Madison, St. Matthew's	20	00			4	00		
Maumee City, St. Paul's	8	00			2	00		
Milan, St. Luke's	10	00			2	00		
Newark, Trinity	30	00	10	00			10	00
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	00			6	00		
Ohio City, St. John's	16	00	46	00	4	00	4	00
Painesville, St. James'	20	00	65	00			16	00
Pomeroy, Grace	10	00					2	00
Piqua, St. James'	55	00			10	00		
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60	00			10	00		
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5	00					1	00
Penfield, Christ	4	00			4	00		
Rome, St. Peter's			2	50			4	00
Roscoe, Immanuel	5	00			1	00		
Springfield, Christ	15	00			2	00		
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50	00	59	00			10	00
Sandusky City, Grace	46	00	4	00	5	00		
Springfield, Jeff. co., St. John's	10	00			2	00		
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	5	00			1	00		
Troy, Trinity			19	50			24	50
Toledo, Trinity	35	00	50	00			15	00
Unionville, St. Michael's	2	00	4	00	2	00	44	00
Urbana, Epiphany	5	00			1	00		
Worthington, St. John's	10	00	3	00	2	00	6	50
Warren, Christ	40	00			4	00		
Wooster, St. James'	30	00			6	00		
Wakeman, St. John's			5	00			5	00
Windsor, Christ			10	00			4	00
Zanesville, St. James'	85	00	40	00	12	00		
	2,073	00	357	40	315	00	278	00

The Report of the Treasurer was received and referred to the Finance Committee.

W. Munger moved the following resolution:

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Dayton, on the Wednesday preceding the meeting of the General Convention.

Adopted.

On motion of Rev. A. Clark,

Resolved, That this Convention do recommend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese; and the several members, both clerical and lay, are requested to use their exertions to increase its circulation.

On motion of Rev. Edward Winthrop,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of St. Paul's Church, and to the citizens of Mount Vernon, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention, at its present session.

The Convention proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

The ballot was dispensed with, and the nominations of the Committee unanimously confirmed as follows:

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. James B. Britton,	William K. Bond,
Rev. J. Muenscher, D.D.,	C. Delano,
Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.,	M. G. Mitchell,
Rev. A. F. Dobb,	C. Howard.

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to the election of a Standing Committee.

The nominations of the Nominating Committee were read.

The Chair nominated Rev. A. Blake.

Rev. C. B. Stout and C. Schultz were appointed Tellers.

Rev. N. Badger, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, read his Annual

Report:

N. Badger, *Treasurer, in account with the Missionary and Education Funds of the Diocese.*

1848–9.			Dr.
To balance in Treasury,			$221 15
College Scrip,			66 35
Cash from Collection at Convention,			86 31
Cincinnati:			
Christ Church,	339 11		
St. Paul's,	91 91		
Trinity Church,	27 00		
S. School of do.,	3 10		
			461 12
Columbus:			
Trinity Church,	48 40		
do. by Rev. Mr. Guion,	82 00		
			130 40
Zanesville, St. James':			
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,	12 00		
E. E. Fillmore, W. F. Kent, and Mrs. Cushing, each 10,	30 00		
Mrs. Van Buren, D. Applegate, Mrs. L. W. Hazlett, W. R. Hazlett, Mrs. Goddard, Jacob Thorn, James Granger, Joseph Morehead, Mrs. Reed, John T. Fracker, Theodore Convers, A. H. Brown, and a friend, each 5,	65 00		
Geo. A. Jones 3, Isaac Dillon 2, Mrs. Moses Dillon 2, Miss Delameter 1, James Crosby 1, Miss J. Peabody 50cts., Mrs. Hildreth 1, Captain Cook 1 50, Mrs. Rob't Brown 1, Collection in Church 22 59, Collection in S. School 4, Henry B. Young 2, Children 1 41,	43 00		
			150 00
Dayton, Christ Church,			33 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's,			18 78
Norwalk:			
St. Paul's,	60 00		
Rev. E. Winthrop, pledge,	5 00		
			65 00
Circleville:			
St. Philip's,	9 00		
Hoel Lawrence, pledge,	5 00		
Miss N. Doddridge, do.,	5 00		

Circleville—continued.		
S. S. of St. Philip's,	5 00	
Paid Rev. A. Guion,	35 00	
		59 00
Chillicothe:		
St. Paul's,	70 00	
Rev. J. B. Britton, on pledge,	5 00	
		75 00
Cuyahoga Falls:		
St. John's,	46 00	
Rev. L. L. Holden,	5 00	
		51 00
Massillon, St. Timothy's,		75 00
Milan, St. Luke's,		20 00
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's,		9 00
Ohio City, St. John's,		26 81
Madison, St. Matthew's,		12 00
Dresden:		
Zion Church,	20 00	
Rev. A. T. McMurphey,	5 00	
		25 00
Springfield:		
Christ Church,	11 00	
Sunday School,	8 00	
		19 00
Plymouth, St. Matthew's,		8 68
Jefferson, Trinity Church,		4 33
Newark, Trinity Church,		40 00
Piqua:		
St. James',	75 00	
Jas. Starrett 5, Dr. Dorsey 5,	10 00	
Mrs. McCorkle 5, G. C. Johnston 5,	10 00	
		95 00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's,		5 00
Roscoe, Immanuel Church,		12 00
Sandusky City:		
Grace Church,	38 45	
do. paid Mr. Hager,	3 00	
		41 45
Warren, Christ Church,	10 57	
Rev. G. W. DuBois,	10 00	
		20 57
Berkshire, Grace Church,		4 00
Worthington, St. John's,		12 00
Marietta, St. Luke's,		5 00
Huron, Christ Church,		4 50
Wakeman, St. John's,		3 00
Friends in Maryland,		50 00
Rev. H. N. Bishop,		8 00
Portsmouth, All Saints',		70 00
Lancaster, St. John's,		10 00

Rev. O. Taylor, on pledge,		5 00
Delaware:		
St. Peter's,	15 65	
Ladies' Miss. Society of do.,	12 12	
		27 77
Total,		$2,022 22

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By cash paid Rev. J. L. Bryan,		$20 00
Rev. A. Bronson,		72 50
Rev. C. B. Stout,		138 14
Rev. J. R. Taylor,		78 00
Rev. A. Wheeler,		35 50
Rev. W. Miller,		58 71
Rev. R. Gray,		113 75
Rev. G. B. Sturges,		59 44
Rev. E. Adams,		80 00
Rev. Wm. Granville,		50 00
Rev. A. Guion,		259 00
Total to Missionaries,		$965 04
Beneficiaries,		609 03
Balance in Treasury,		381 80
College scrip,		66 35
Total,		$2,022 22

Which was accepted.

The tellers reported that the following persons are elected a Board of

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. Dr. Bronson,	M. W. Stamp,
Rev. Dr. Brooke,	C. Delano,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,	R. C. Hurd,
Rev. Dr. Muenscher,	J. R. Swan,
Rev. J. B. Britton,	H. B. Curtis,
Rev. E. Burr,	James Hall.

The nominations for a Missionary and Education Committee were confirmed, the ballot being dispensed with, as follows:

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,	E. Alling,
Rev. Dr. Bronson,	M. W. Stamp,
Rev. N. Badger,	A. G. Scott,
Rev. T. M. Smith,	H. L. Thrall.

The nomination of Trustees of the Episcopate Fund was confirmed as follows, the ballot being dispensed with:

TRUSTEES OF EPISCOPATE FUND.

W. K. Bond, Dr. Strader,
J. R. Swan.

The nominations for a Committee to attend Examinations at Gambier were confirmed as follows:

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. J. B. Britton, J. R. Swan,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood, C. Delano,
Rev. E. Winthrop, C. P. Buckingham,
Rev. J. Muenscher, D.D., J. W. Andrews,
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The Convention went into the election of a Treasurer. On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and William Wood, M.D., the present Treasurer, having been nominated, was unanimously reëlected.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke,

Resolved, That the Sunday School Committee be dissolved, and the debt due from the same to the Rev. H. Hooker be recognized by the Convention as due from the Contingent Fund.

Resolved, That the Rev. Mr. Blake be requested to act as agent for the Convention in disposing of the books on hand.

The following persons were elected the

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Dr. Brooke, N. G. Pendleton,
Rev. G. D. Gillespie, Wm. K. Bond,
Rev. A. Blake, D. K. Cady.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, through the Rev. Dr. Muenscher, made the following

Report:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, as far as the time allowed them would permit, and are satisfied of its correctness. In view of the liabilities of the Convention on the General Fund, the Committee do not deem it expedient to increase the assessments materially, but beg leave to suggest the following modes of curtailing the expenses of the coming year, and of increasing the receipts for this fund, viz: That the size and expense of publishing the Journal be reduced, by abridging the Parochial Reports, omitting the Constitution and Canons, and other matter not essential—that no appropriation be made to the Clerical Delegates to the next General Convention for defraying travelling expenses—that no circulars be published by the Secretary during the year—and that a collection be taken up in each parish, in addition to the assessment, at any convenient time within three months.

The Committee have not had time to attend to the subject of Delinquent Parishes, and therefore ask further time. They hope to be able to mature some effective plan at the meeting of the next Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOS. MUENSCHER, Chairman.

Which was accepted.

Rev. Dr. Brooke offered the following resolutions as an amendment to the above Report, which were severally adopted:

Resolved, That the parishes that shall be delinquent in their assessments for the Episcopate and Contingent Funds at the meeting of the next Convention, shall be reported by the Treasurer, so that the Convention may determine whether, agreeably to the third article of the Constitution, it be conducive to the interests of the Church, that they be suspended from their right of representation, or wholly dissolved.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to forward this resolution to said delinquent parishes, with a statement of their indebtedness.

And the Report as amended was adopted.

On motion of Rev. W. C. French,

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be directed to pay out of the first moneys received for the General Fund, the debt already incurred for printing Journals.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher, on behalf of the Finance Committee, offered the following

Report:

The Committee on Finance recommend the following assessments for the next year:

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingent Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's	$30	$ 4
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	40	10
Berkshire, Grace	10	2
Boardman, St. James'	15	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's	10	2
Centreville, St. David's	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	90	10
Cincinnati, Christ	250	50
Cincinnati, St. John's	50	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150	30
Cincinnati, Trinity	20	5
Circleville, St. Philip's	45	8
Cleveland, Grace	10	2
Cleveland, St. Paul's	50	10
Cleveland, Trinity	80	12
Columbia, St. Luke's	4	1
Columbus, St. Paul's	30	8
Columbus, Trinity	95	20
Cross Creek, St. James'	25	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Dayton, Christ	50	8
Deersville, St. Alban's	5	1
Delaware, St. Peter's	50	10
Dover, St. John's	3	2
Dresden, Zion	10	2
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	3	1
Elyria, St. Andrew's	4	1
Euclid, St. Paul's	5	1
Franklin, Christ	3	2
Gambier, Harcourt Parish	40	6
Grafton, St. Stephen's	8	2
Granville, St. Luke's	20	4
Greenville, St. Paul's	4	1
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	4	2
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	1	1
Hudson, Christ	18	4
Huron, Christ	6	2

ASSESSMENTS—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingent Fund.
Jefferson, Trinity	$ 8	$ 2
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	4	1
Liverpool, Christ	3	1
Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's	4	1
Lyme, Trinity	5	1
Madison, St. Matthew's	8	2
Mansfield, Grace,	10	4
Marietta, St. Luke's	25	5
Marion St. Paul's	—	—
Massillon, St. Timothy's	35	4
Maumee City, St. Paul's	8	2
Medina, St. Paul's	45	8
Milan, St. Luke's	10	3
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	10	2
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	50	10
Newark, Trinity	40	10
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	10	5
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	6
Ohio City, St. John's	16	4
Painesville, St. James'	35	5
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel	5	1
Perry, St. Matthew's	2	1
Piqua, St. James'	55	10
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5	1
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60	10
Rome St. Peter's	1	1
Roscoe, Immanue	5	1
Sandusky City, Grace	50	5
Sidney, St. Mark's	—	—
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ	15	2
Springfield, Jefferson co., St. John's	10	2
St. Clairsville St. Thomas'	5	1
St. Mary's, Christ	—	—
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50	10
Strongsville, St. Philip's	1	1
Toledo, Trinity	20	5
Troy, Trinity	3	2
Unionville, St. Michael's	2	—
Urbana, Epiphany	10	1
Wakeman, St. John's	4	1
Warren, Christ	20	5
Windsor, Christ	2	—
Wooster, St. James'	15	3
Worthington, St. John's	10	2
Zanesville, St. James'	85	12

Which was adopted.

On motion of Rev. W. C. French,

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to publish 500 copies of the Journal of this Convention, whenever the Treasurer shall signify to him that $200, or two-thirds of the present debt for printing, has been discharged.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Parochial Reports be omitted from the Journal, except in tabular form, and published in the "Western Episcopalian."

The reading of the minutes of previous days was on motion dispensed with.

The minutes of this day's proceedings were then read and approved.

On motion,

Resolved, That this Convention adjourn *sine die* after the usual devotional exercises.

The Convention then united in singing and prayers, and after the Apostolic benediction by the Bishop, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Convention.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH, *Secretary.*

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Assistant Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

[A]

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

Constitution.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall in like manner be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated Seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued

absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VII.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of the committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case, the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

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ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

Canons.

CANON I.

Of the trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.

Sect. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which according to Canon XXXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sect. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within the Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

Sect. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

Sect. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not preseht, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sect. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sect. 6. In case a Clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so

tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

Of the Vestry of a Church.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

Of the Admission of a Church or Congregation into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

Of Attendance on Convention, and Requisites for the Admission of Lay-Deputies.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.

CANON V.

A List to be made of the Ministers in the Diocese.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the fourth article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 2. In addition to the register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

SECT. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VII.

Of Vacant Congregations.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VIII.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

Of Lay Readers.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.

Of preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.

Of the Secretary of the Convention.

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XII.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.

Of Missions and of Education for the Ministry.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XIV.

Of the Support of the Episcopate.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.

Of Lay Discipline.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVI.

Of Contingent Expenses.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the passages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the

Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.

Of Alterations in the Canons and Additions thereto.

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor, (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.

Repealing of former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

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Rules of Order.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present, if not—some other person appointed by the Chair—shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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Form for the Organization of Parishes in the Diocese of Ohio.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

Abstract of the Bishop's Address.

Number of Parishes visited,	56
Parishes in which Confirmations have been held,	42
Number of persons confirmed,	254
Admitted to Holy Orders—to Deacon's, 5; to Priest's, 4; total,	9
Candidates for Orders,	4
Churches consecrated,	2
Clergy received from other Dioceses, 3; removed into other Dioceses, 4; present number in the Diocese,	75
New Parishes organized,	4

Next Convention.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Christ Church, Dayton, on Wednesday, the 25th day of September, 1850, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

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*†The Rev. JOHN BOYD, Deacon, Minister of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

*†The Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON, residing at Painesville.

The Rev. JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and Trinity Church, Lyme, and Missionary.

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

*†The Rev. T. J. CARTER, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

†The Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D.D., President of St. John's College, Cincinnati.

*The Rev. E. H. CUMMING, Agent of the American Tract Society.

The Rev. G. S. DAVIS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. GEORGE DENISON, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Missionary.

The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON DUBOIS, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's, Newton Falls.

The Rev. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

*The Rev. JOHN FOSTER, Deacon, residing near Dayton.

The Rev. LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

†The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, officiating at Penfield.

The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

†The Rev. ALVAH GUION, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and Missionary.

†The Rev. JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

†The Rev. ALBERT HELFENSTEIN, residing at St. Mary's.

The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Rector of Trinity Church, Jefferson, and St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and Missionary.

†The Rev. [illegible] L. Holden, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

*†The Rev. J. J. McElhinney, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphey, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's, Madison, and Missionary.

†The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. William Miller, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, and Missionary.

†The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

The Rev. Rodolphus K. Nash, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. William R. Nicholson, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

†The Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

*†The Rev. Henry Payne, Agent of the American Sunday School Union.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Bethel Church, Peninsula.

*†The Rev. Henry P. Powers, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

*†The Rev. Wm. Preston, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

*†The Rev. Henry L. Richards, residing at Columbus.

*†The Rev. George F. Richards, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Chandler Robbins, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.

†The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Rector of the Granville Female Seminary.

†The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

†The Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, at Gambier.

*†The Rev. K. J. Stewart.

The Rev. CHARLES B. Stout, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.

*†The Rev. E. A. STRONG, Deacon, Minister of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan.

*†The Rev. OLIVER TAYLOR.

*†The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON, Instructor in St. John's College, and officiating at St. Luke's Church, Cincinnati.

*†The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, President of St. John's Female College, Marietta.

*†The Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE, residing in New York, on account of ill health.

The Rev. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.

†The Rev. A. WHEELER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

†The Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Total number of Clergy belonging to the Diocese, ...	72
Number present at this Convention, ...	40
Number in the Diocese entitled to seats in this Convention, .	52
Number entitled to seats and present, ...	37

TREASURER OF CONVENTION,

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D.,

CINCINNATI.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION,

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

DELAWARE.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON,
Wednesday, September 25th, 1850.

IN accordance with a resolution of the last Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, appointing this as the time and place of holding the next Convention, the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled as above at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention opened with the celebration of divine service. Rev. Erastus Burr read the Morning Prayer, assisted by the Rev. G. D. Gillespie in the Lessons. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Edward Winthrop, of Norwalk, from 2d Tim. 1. 12: "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

After divine service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary of the last Convention not having arrived, the Chair appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor to call the list of Clergy entitled to seats, and also the list of Parishes in union with the Convention, and directed that as each Parish was named, the certificates of its Lay Delegates should be laid on the table.

The election of a Secretary being in order, the

former Secretary having been nominated, was unanimously reëlected, the ballot being dispensed with.

The Secretary-elect being still absent, on motion, the Rev. J. Rice Taylor was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

The Chair appointed the following Committee:

On Examination of Credentials.—Rev. G. D. Gillespie, Rev. G. S. Davis and J. S. Swearingen.

The Convention then adjourned to 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayers, the Secretary *pro tem.* called the roll of the Clergy, 23 answering to their names.

Rev. G. D. Gillespie, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported the names of Lay Delegates entitled to seats, and subsequently reported other names, all of which are included in the following

Report:

The Committee on Examination of Credentials report the following persons as entitled to seats in this Convention, viz., from

St. Paul's, Chillicothe. James S. Swearingen, E. P. Kendrick, O. T. Reeves.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati. James Hall, Bellamy Storer, N. G. Pendleton.

St. John's, Cincinnati. Henry W. Derby, Geo. H. Pendleton, Crafts J. Wright.*

* Those marked thus are believed to have been not present at the Convention.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati. Stanhope S. Rowe, John Johnston,* Wm. Wood.

Trinity, Cincinnati. Thomas Longworth,* Wm. S. Drummond, Alexander Todd.

St. Philip's, Circleville. Hoel Lawrence,* J. L. Morrison,* J. G. Doddridge.*

St. Paul's, Cleveland. James Kellogg, Elisha T. Sterling,* T. W. Morse.*

St. Paul's, Columbus. Isaac N. Whiting,* Thomas Sparrow,* C. R. Britton.*

Christ Church, Dayton. Joseph H. Crane, Warren Munger, R. A. Kerfoot.

St. Peter's, Delaware. C. Howard, C. Platt, W. D. Heim.

St. Stephen's, East Liverpool. D. A. Fulk,* Davidson Cochran.*

St. Peter's, Gallipolis. Alexander Vanee,* H. M. Kirk.*

Harcourt, Gambier. James S. Sawer, M. H. Mitchell.

St. Matthew's, Hamilton. G. O. N. Goodall.

St Paul's, Medina. Chas. B. Chamberlain,* Zachary Dean.*

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon. E. Alling, J. C. Irvine, R. C. Hurd.

St. Luke's, Milan. John P. Worstell,* W. F. Dean,* A. Minuse.*

Trinity, Newark. C. K. Warner, H. S. Sprague.*

St. Paul's, Norwalk. Platt Benedict, G. P. Birdseye,* C. E. Newman.*

St. John's, Ohio City. George L. Chapman, David Griffith, W. B. Castle.*

St. James', Piqua. M. G. Mitchell, A. C. Alexander,* H. Scott.*

Grace, Pomeroy. Edward Saul,* Thomas W. Williams.*

All Saints', Portsmouth. W. Kinney,* W. Oldfield,* Jas. Lodwick.*

Grace, Sandusky. Zenas W. Barker.

Christ, Springfield. Thomas Winwood,* Wm. Coles.

St. Paul's, Steubenville. John Andrews,* John H. Veirs,* Abner L. Frazer.*

St. Philip's, Strongsville. B. Northrop.*

Trinity, Toledo. Timothy Tredwell,* Henry Bennett, L. S. Lounsbury.*

Trinity, Troy. A. Coleman, Asa Mayo,* Willis Hinman.*

Epiphany, Urbana. Wm. F. Slater,* Samuel H. Robinson.*

Christ, Warren. George Parsons.*

St. James', Wooster. Henry Lehman, James Johnson,* John K. McBride.*

The Committee also report that they have examined the papers of St. Peter's Church, Gallipolis, relative to the organization of the Parish, and find the same correct.

The Committee further report that they have examined the papers of Advent Church, Canton, Stark co., and find the same correct.

G. D. GILLESPIE,
G. S. DAVIS,
J. S. SWEARINGEN,
} Committee.

On motion, the Report was accepted, and the new Parishes therein named were received into union with the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following Committees:

On Unfinished Business.—Rev. T. B. Fairchild, and W. S. Drummond.

On Finance.—Rev. M. T. C. Wing, N. G. Pendleton, and James Hall.

On Missions.—Rev. A. Clark, Rev. G. D. Gillespie, and E. P. Kendrick.

On Canons.—Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Dr. Muenscher, B. Storer, and J. S. Swearingen.

The Chair presented a Communication from the Agent of the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union at New York, which having been read by the Secretary, was on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Bishop then read his Annual

Address:

To the Clergy and Laity in the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio:—

Brethren,—By the kind Providence of our Heavenly Father, we are allowed the privilege of again meeting in our Annual Convention, after another year given us for our Master's service, another year of opportunity for the minister of the gospel to make known

the exceeding riches of his grace to sinners, another year of innumerable blessings and privileges, for which our account is to be rendered in the great day. Have we been faithful in our stewardship? have we redeemed the time? have we been earnest, diligent, unwearied, self-denying and watchful, cultivating the growth of our hearts in grace, and endeavoring by all the influences of the Holy Ghost in ourselves, and all his influences in guiding and blessing the labors of those of us who are his ministers, to be instrumental in bringing souls to Christ? "The days are evil"—always evil in this world to the growth of the love of God in our hearts and the growth of the Gospel in the field of our ministry; evil as the days of winter are evil to every tender plant. But there are things and influences and currents which make the days in which we are required to serve God and overcome the world especially evil. So much the more urgent becomes the exhortation, "Redeem the time."

I lament to say that while the need of more faithful laborers in the vineyard of the Lord in this Diocese is always great, and the importance of establishing new stations is always urgent, we have gone behind in the number of our clergy since the last Convention. We have lost by death *one*, by discipline *one*, by removal to other Dioceses *nine*; while we have received by removal from other Dioceses *five*, and by ordination *three*, making a decrease of *three*.

You will readily refer in your thoughts to the sad event attending the departure of the brother to whom I have referred as being lost to us by death—the Rev. George Johnson. He was ordained a Deacon in September last. He was present at our last Convention. He had given encouraging promise of usefulness in the ministry, in which he had scarcely begun to labor, when in December last, little more than three months after his ordination, he was found wounded to death by the shot of a rifle in one of the rooms of Bexley Hall, at Gambier. He lived a few moments after, but recovered no consciousness, and consequently there could be no account given of the way by which he came to his death, but from observation of its circumstances. It was known that his mind had been troubled, for some time before, by attempts from a town in Indiana, whence he had come as a candidate for orders to Ohio, to asperse his character, by charges having reference exclusively to transactions in business before he became a candidate, and even before he had become a member of the Church. It was known that I had taken measures to have him transferred to the Diocese of Indiana, that those things might be properly investigated in the neigh-

borhood where the testimony was said to be. From these circumstances, an unpleasant idea arose in some minds, which they would have been glad to overcome, that his death was perhaps not *accidental*. I feel not the slightest doubt on that subject. From what I then knew and have since learned of those charges, I believe that our departed brother had no great reason to be troubled in mind lest they should seriously affect his standing as a christian or minister. He was in correspondence with me about them at the time of his death, had written me a cheerful letter that very day, and was in the course of preparing a full statement of facts relative to those charges, to be sent to me, and which after his death was found partly written. But the opinion of the skilful and learned physician who examined the wound, in connection with the circumstances in which he was found, is positive that it could not have occurred by design.

I have thought it due to the memory of a departed brother thus to speak of his appalling death, and moreover to express the opinion that had the difficulties into which his character had been brought, been investigated, it would have appeared either that they had no foundation but in political animosities of a date prior to his becoming a member of the church, or that if resting on any more real basis, there was no reason for their being allowed at that period to affect his character.

At the last Convention, I reported the suspension of the Rev. A. M. Loutrel, for contumacy in not appearing for trial. Since then he has been presented and tried on new charges, and according to the unanimous recommendation of the Presbyters who composed the Board of Trial, has been degraded from the ministry of the Church of God.

The nine brethren who have left us by letters dimissory, are as follows:—the Rev. J. C. Smith, transferred to the Diocese of Maine, the Rev. E. W. Hagar to Western New York, the Rev. E. H. Canfield to New York, the Rev. A. D. Benedict to Western New York, the Rev. Alexander Varian to Indiana, the Rev. D. A. Tyng to Virginia, the Rev. W. W. Arnett to Pennsylvania, the Rev. J. W. Cracraft to Illinois, the Rev. Joseph Adderly to Michigan.

The five received from other Dioceses are, the Rev. T. J. Carter from New York, who has taken charge of Grace Church, Cleveland; the Rev. J. J. McElhinney from Pennsylvania, who has taken charge of St. James', Wooster; the Rev. G. F. Richards (Deacon), who has become assistant minister to the Rev. John Hall, Ashtabula; the Rev. Wm. Preston, who has returned to Trinity Church,

Columbus; and the Rev. H. P. Powers, who is in charge of St. Paul's, Fremont.

The clergy added by ordination to Deacon's Orders are, the Rev. John Boyd, who has become the minister of St. Luke's, Marietta; the Rev. Benjamin Austin, who is now ministering in Grace Church, Mansfield; and the Rev. E. A. Strong, who has become the minister of St. Luke's, Granville. Besides these, I have admitted one Deacon to Presbyter's Orders, the Rev. Chandler Robbins, Minister of Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke county.

The changes on the part of the clergy within the Diocese, are as follows:—the Rev. Hiram N. Bishop has taken charge of St. Philip's, Circleville; the Rev. B. P. Aydelott, D.D., has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. J. A. Brayton has resigned St. James', Painesville; the Rev. J. B. Britton has resigned St. Paul's, Chillicothe, and taken charge of Christ Church, Dayton; the Rev. Abraham Bronson has taken charge of Trinity Church, Lyme; the Rev. L. N. Freeman has resigned Grace Church, Sandusky, and taken charge of St. Paul's, Chillicothe; the Rev. Wm. C. French has resigned St. Luke's, Granville, and taken charge of St. Peter's, Delaware; the Rev. S. Marks has returned to the charge of Christ Church, Huron; the Rev. Alanson Phelps has taken charge of Christ Church, Franklin; the Rev. K. J. Stewart has resigned St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. G. B. Sturges has resigned St. Mark's, Mill Creek, and Immanuel, Roscoe, and taken charge of St. Paul's, Marion; the Rev. D. W. Tolford has resigned St. Luke's, Marietta; the Rev. O. Taylor has resigned St. Paul's, Maumee City.

I have consecrated only one new Church since last Convention, viz: Zion Church, Dresden. Two others it is expected will soon be ready for consecration.

There are three candidates for orders, while there are several persons expecting soon to apply to be received as candidates. Those at present on the list are, George E. Thrall, C. S. Doolittle and Daniel Risser.

Since the last Convention, by divine permission, I have visited and held Confirmations in the following Parishes, viz:—Christ Church, Springfield, confirmed 3; Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, confirmed 5; Trinity, Columbus, confirmed 7; St. Paul's, Columbus, confirmed 7; St. Paul's, Steubenville, confirmed 17; St. Stephen's, East Liverpool, confirmed 12; St. James', Cross Creek, confirmed 7; St. John's, Springfield, confirmed 4; St. Thomas', St. Clairsville, confirmed 3; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, confirmed 3; St. James', Piqua,

confirmed 6; Christ Church, Dayton, confirmed 3; St. John's, Worthington, confirmed 5; Grace Church, Berkshire, confirmed 3; St. Peter's, Delaware, confirmed 3; Trinity, Lyme, confirmed 4; St. John's, Wakeman, confirmed 6; St. Paul's, Norwalk, confirmed 2; Christ Church, Huron, confirmed 1; St. Luke's, Milan, confirmed 3; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, confirmed 14; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, confirmed 4; Trinity, Jefferson, confirmed 4; St. Michael's, Unionville, confirmed 4; St. James', Painesville, confirmed 2; St. Paul's, Euclid, confirmed 1; Trinity, Cleveland, confirmed 17; St. John's, Ohio City, confirmed 9; Christ Church, Cincinnati, confirmed 13; St. John's, Cincinnati, confirmed 16; St. Luke's, Cincinnati, confirmed 8; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, confirmed 3; St. Matthew's, Perry, confirmed 21; St. James', Zanesville, confirmed 9; Zion Church, Dresden, confirmed 3; St. Paul's, Maumee City, confirmed 4; Trinity, Toledo, confirmed 12; St. Paul's, Fremont, confirmed 5 —Total, 253.

Besides these visitations, I have visited, without having candidates presented for confirmation, St. Luke's, Marietta; St. Paul's, Greenville; Trinity, Troy; St. Matthew's, Hamilton; St. Paul's, Marion; a partially organized Parish at Bellevue; and St. Matthew's, Madison.

During the intervals of my visitations, I have preached twice almost every Sunday, in some of the churches nearest to my place of residence.

Two new Parishes have been organized, namely, St. Peter's, Gallipolis, and Advent Church, Canton.

You will notice that in the list of Parishes visited, and in which confirmation has been held, I have included St. Peter's, Ashtabula; and in consequence of your proceedings touching that Parish at the last two Conventions, you will naturally desire an explanation of its having been thus visited. On the 4th of July, 1848, I informed that Parish that until its relations to the Bishop of the Diocese were rectified, I would visit them no more, but would lay the case before the ensuing Convention. That was done, and the Convention adopted resolutions expressing its "decided and complete condemnation" of the conduct of that Parish towards me in my official relations thereto, and also its approval of my determination to visit the Parish no more until certain specified acts of reparation were made, "*to the satisfaction of the Convention.*" At the subsequent Convention of 1849, a Memorial was received from the Vestry of said Parish, on which a committee, whose report was unanimously adopted, reported that there was no reason to change the ground taken at the previous Convention, and that the terms then specified

which that Parish "might set itself right before the general church and in its relations especially to our Diocese," had not been complied with, but at the same time the committee "cherish the hope that another year would not elapse without restoring the Parish to its proper relations to the Bishop, by rescinding the former offensive official acts of the Vestry in this case."

At the period of my late visitation in that part of the Diocese, no communication in the least favoring the hope thus expressed had been received from that Parish. And when I made out and published my list of Parishes to be visited, that Parish was omitted. But it was with pain that I omitted it, for though I had the same sense as before of the conduct complained of on the part of the Vestry, I had no unkind feelings toward any of the Parish, many of the members of which, I knew, deeply regretted the things complained of. Under such feelings, I concluded subsequently that as by the resolution of the Convention the reparation required of the Vestry is to be made "*to the satisfaction of the Convention*," and thus happily the case is now between the Parish and the Diocese, I might promote a proper state of feeling in the former, and at the same time indulge my own feelings towards its members, without in any way interfering with the state of the case as left by the Convention. I therefore once more visited the Parish, preached and confirmed, taking care, however, in as few words as possible, to explain that my visit was to be understood simply as an indication of my feelings towards the individuals composing the Parish, and not in the least as indicating any change in the relations between the Parish and the Diocese occasioned by the matters in complaint. Those relations (I said) continued as before. And so they continue still. It is for the Convention to consider how long they are to remain in this state.

In accordance with the vote of the last Convention, approving of the proposed sale of lands belonging to the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, the Trustees of that Institution have caused a portion to be divided into farms of suitable size and offered for sale. The state of the country, caused as is supposed in part by the great emigration to California, and the throwing of a great deal of land into market by those who have gone with that current, has not been favorable to a ready sale. Some farms have been disposed of, and the prospect of more sales is considered improving. Meanwhile, the debt of the Corporation, as appeared at a late meeting of the Trustees, has increased during the last year by just about the amount of the burdensome tax which the State levies on the land. I have the happiness of stating,

however, that an addition of a little more than fifteen hundred dollars has been made to the endowment of the Seminary. An honored domestic who died in my house about eighteen months ago, after having lived in my family at West Point, at Brooklyn, at Gambier and at Cincinnati, a communicant of our Church for many years, and a consistent, humble, benevolent christian woman all the while she was a communicant, Mrs. Isabella Davis, remembered on her death-bed the Theological Seminary, by the side of which she had lived several years, and out of the frugal savings from her wages, having always been a ready contributor to good works, made it her residuary legatee. The sum which thus accrues is *five hundred and ten dollars*, which having been left at my disposal as to the particular direction it should receive, has been joined to the partial endowment of the Milnor Professorship of Divinity in our Theological Seminary, and has been safely invested accordingly.

We are indebted to the Rev. Henry Anthon, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, New York, for another benefaction. In the capacity of Trustee of a portion of the estate of the late Charles D. Betts, a parishioner of St. Mark's Church, New York, Dr. Anthon has paid to the Theological Seminary of this Diocese the sum of *one thousand dollars*, on the following conditions:

1. "The said amount to form a Fund to be styled 'The Charles D. Betts Library Fund,' and to be securely invested by the Faculty on Bond and Mortgage, and the annual income accruing to be appropriated to the purchase of such books for the Seminary Library as the Faculty may from time to time designate. Such books, when procured, to be properly labelled, showing that they were purchased by the fund above named.

2. "The Bond and Mortgage aforesaid to be deposited with the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as *ex officio* President of the Seminary; and the income to pass through his hands to the Library, the whole Faculty voting on the books to be selected and purchased.

3. "In the event of the dissolution of the Seminary, the income to revert to the Bishop for the time being, in trust for the education of suitable candidates for orders in needy circumstances, in their preparation for the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a preference being given to such as intend to devote themselves to the cause of domestic missions.

4. "An attested statement of the condition of the fund and the appropriation of its income, to be remitted annually to the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and to the Rector for the time being of St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery, New York."

The Faculty having thankfully accepted the kind offer of Dr. Anthon on these terms, the money was received a few weeks since, and invested on Bond and Mortgage, in real estate in Cincinnati, every care having been taken to ascertain the entire safety of the investment.

May we not hope that these benefactions, and especially that of the humble widow before mentioned, may lead to similar good works on the part of others towards the same institution! How largely have the great literary and religious institutions of Christendom been built up by means of legacies—the remembrances of dying Christians! One would suppose that it would be much more common than it is, for Christian people taking leave of earth, the field of their own struggles for eternal life, and where they leave so much for the church to accomplish in its warfare with sin, to bequeath some parting gift, some farewell memorial of their love to Christ and their zeal for his cause; something to help their brethren yet remaining here in promoting the diffusion of truth and the triumph of the Gospel.

There is another institution which I trust is destined sometimes to be kindly remembered by members of our Church when called away from their earthly possessions, and the interests of which I desire to promote by whatever influence its recommendation in this Address may give it—I mean the "Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio." I need not say how important is such a Society. I believe that the plan of this in our Diocese is wisely and skilfully adapted to its purpose, and cannot fail to attain a strong and effective operation, if only the clergy will take the interest in it which it is natural to expect of them. Every clergyman of the Diocese should belong to it. Besides the annual payments on the part of members, a part of its reliance is on annual collections made in the parishes towards its funds. In some parishes such collections have been made. In all, I would urge that they may be made. I have no doubt that the object is one which when properly explained, will commend itself with peculiar force to the minds of the laity. Such has been the experience where the subject has been suitably presented. Let the nature and object of the Society be plainly stated, and I feel sure our congregations will readily respond.

I must here call your attention, brethren, to the state of our Diocesan Missions. You will remember that at our last Convention, I informed you that the Domestic Committee of the General

Missionary Society had resolved to discontinue their appropriations to the aid of Missions in this Diocese, on the ground that we were competent to take care of the missionary work within our bounds without pecuniary aid from abroad. Being in New York soon after that Convention, I complained to members of the Committee, not of the resolution to leave us to ourselves, but of its having been done so suddenly, with no previous notice affording us due time to make provision for the stations thus abandoned. The result was that the Committee agreed to appropriate to us *four hundred dollars*, which was one hundred less than we had received before, but with the understanding that it was to be the last remittance from that source to this Diocese. So that henceforward we sustain the stations hitherto assisted by that Committee, as well as those supported by our own Committee, or they fall. But these stations, and those which our Diocesan Committee has sustained, laying aside the consideration of the very meagre stipend which most of the missionaries receive, are far behind the number which ought to be undertaken. I grieve to see how little we are advancing upon new ground, setting up our banners at new outposts, increasing in the number of our parishes and flocks—how little we are capable of doing it for want of pecuniary means; how our pecuniary means fall short of our necessities in the Missionary work; and *that* not because our people are not able to furnish more; not because there has been a general effort in our parishes, energetically made and faithfully persevered in, to bring them up to their duty in this respect, which has failed; but I lament to say because in many parishes the cause has been much neglected, and in few has it received the just measure of attention on the part of those to whom it looks for its right representation. Many of our parishes do nothing for our Diocesan Missions. Many of our clergy prosecute no annual, vigorous system in their parishes, to educate and sustain a zeal for the support of missions, and a right spirit of self-denial and contribution among their people for the spread of the gospel. Many take no pains, or none that is adequate, to have the missionary cause, its condition, its claims, its wants, its duties, the principles which should actuate every Christian in regard to it, understood, considered and appreciated among those committed to their care! If there be a single collection for that object, is not that all? Or may be, the collection attended with a few observations; or perhaps a sermon adapted to the occasion is preached, the less effectual because it is confined to the occasion of a collection; but, brethren, what we want and must have, if ever we come up in any degree to

our duty in this cause, is a systematic effort in all our parishes, carried on by the persevering, patient earnestness of the minister, aiming at the education of the whole flock in the great principles and affections which form the only permanent basis of missionary work, aiming moreover at the bringing of every one of the flock to a conscientious estimate of his means as a steward of the gifts of God for this cause, and a conscientious, systematic appropriation accordingly. To promote a right state of heart and will, showing itself in generous giving to this great cause, must be regarded by the minister as just as much a part of his work as a preacher of righteousness, an ambassador of God—just as much embraced in his general duty of promoting the love of God and the obedience of Christ in the hearts of his people, as any thing else. Do any imagine they are doing their people a kindness by not pressing them with duty in reference to such objects of Christian benevolence? Do any expect to stand more securely in the favor of their people, or to make the resources of their own living the more certain, by refraining from applications for their contributions to the missionary work? I trust a policy so exceedingly short-sighted is not found among us. But, brethren of the clergy, let me affectionately say to you, that if we are to sustain the stations which the General Missionary Committee has now thrown on our hands, besides those which we have supported hitherto; especially if we are to make any increase in our sphere of labor, occupying new positions: in a word, if we are to do our duty in the cause of missions, within our Diocesan bounds, more faithfully and vigorously than before, it is necessary that new efforts must be made generally in our parishes, and you must institute and prosecute them. The cause is that of the whole church; the Lord looks to every member of his church for a share therein, but to the pastor of the flock, to whom he has entrusted the word of truth by which he teaches duty, awakens conscience, kindles love and animates all holy zeal, does he look above all others for the promotion of the true spirit and every good work for the furtherance of the gospel and the church.

I think I have observed in some parts of the Diocese a decrease of attention to the preparation of Candidates for Confirmation. My notices of an intended visitation are always issued with the expectation that the ministers receiving them will at once inform their congregations thereof, and proceed to institute the necessary measures to ascertain who propose to become candidates for confirmation; to instruct them and examine them, and promote as much as possible in their minds and hearts that devotional spirit, that repentance for

sin and faith in Christ on which all the profitableness of the ordinance depends. I fear that sometimes the time bestowed on the preparation of candidates is much too short, that sufficient attention is not given to their instruction in the nature of a Christian profession; the meaning and obligation and solemnity of the baptismal vows to be renewed; the nature and benefit of the Lord's Supper, to which Confirmation opens the door, with the essential preparation of heart for communion with Christ therein.

I would remind the clergy of the words of the Canon concerning "the Duty of Ministers in regard to Episcopal Visitations." "It shall be the duty of Ministers to *prepare* young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation." Observe, it is not merely the duty of the Minister to find out those who wish to be confirmed or ought to be, or to examine into the fitness of those who *offer themselves;* but to *prepare* persons for confirmation, to prepare them in mind by instruction in doctrine, in duty, in the nature of the Christian life, the dangers of the world, the need of watchfulness and prayer; to prepare them, when they possess essentially the spiritual qualifications, by endeavoring under the Lord's blessing to exercise in them all the affections of a new heart, so that with the deepest humility, and the liveliest faith, and the most fervent love, they may, in that ordinance, renew their baptismal vows and enter anew on the Christian life. And as preliminary to such instruction, the Canon enjoins that "on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners, *individually, as opportunity may offer*, and also to the congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of such notice."

Observe, the preparation is required to begin immediately on the notice being received. The notice is to be given *individually*, to the parishioners, as well as *collectively;* that is, the Minister is not to be satisfied with the public announcement from the pulpit, and then wait for applications. He is to *go to his people*, individually; to see and converse with such as he thinks in all probability ought to be confirmed, and who may only need his instruction, or advice, or encouragement, to induce them to come, and are in danger of not coming without such encouragement. There are two extremes in this matter. There is that of the Minister who is more concerned about the length of his list of candidates than about their fitness and edification; more intent upon the reputation of presenting many, than upon the consolation of presenting, as far as he can discriminate, only the worthy—who unduly urges persons to con-

formation, without reference to whether they seriously trust they have been born again of the Holy Ghost, and are resolved to follow Christ, or not. An exceedingly evil extreme. I would much rather confirm none, than such as come with no higher spiritual preparation than such influences are most likely to bring. But there is another extreme, that of the Minister who persuades none, makes advances to none, waits for all to make the first move and come to him, and then supposes his whole work is to discriminate between those who are fit and those who are not. This is not to *prepare* persons for confirmation. A Minister may always suppose that besides those who either presumptuously, or rightly, will come to him of their own accord to become candidates, there may be some who if he sees them individually and converses with them, will be found possessing essentially the spiritual qualifications required, but who need admonition, exhortation, instruction, or encouragement, to induce them to take a step which they greatly need for their growth in grace and for their duty every way; or else if they seem not fully qualified in the state of their hearts for the ordinance, are so far under religious impressions that the season of confirmation may be turned to great account to bring them to a decision whether the Lord shall be their God or not. Many times a faithful ministry will gather up many such souls for the Lord's true service, and bring them in a right spirit to renew the vows of their baptism, who otherwise would have remained undetermined and eventually would have returned to worldly-mindedness and indifference. Be "faithful in that which is least." Cultivate the smallest seeds. Watch over the feeblest growths. Wait not till the plant is strong before you stake it. Endeavor to make the season of confirmation a time of revival, a time to bring baptismal vows to the solemn remembrance of those who are forgetting them; to call parents to the faithful discharge of their duties as teachers and examples and guardians of the souls of their children; a time to gather fruit from the Sunday School and the Bible Class, and the diligent efforts of the Pastor in his enlargement upon the teachings of the Catechism with the lambs of his flock. Let not our Pastors be satisfied with having candidates for confirmation give a hearing ear to what they say to them in the pulpit or more privately. It is of great consequence that suitable *reading* be put into their hands, by which they may study at home and in private the nature of the ordinance, and the full extent of the profession they are to ratify therein, and may be assisted in the examination of their hearts as to their spiritual preparation therefor. Some decidedly evangelical treatise on Con-

firmation, going faithfully into an exhibition of the Christian profession confirmed therein, and into an examination of the fitness of the candidate for the solemn ordinance, something to be kept to after life, and read as a remembrancer of the sacred vows of one of the most solemn periods in a Christian's life, should be placed in the hands of every candidate. Such treatises, I am happy to say, are so easily obtained that no candidate could object to his proportion of their cost.

In conclusion of this address, I cannot but allude, though it must be very briefly, to some very peculiar and humiliating features in the history of our Church during the year which has elapsed since we last met. What a sad conclusion have we seen, in several who once claimed to be consistent Protestant Ministers of our Protestant Church, of tendencies to Romish corruptions of the Gospel, against which long ago I endeavored to warn my brethren, as being essentially inwrought in a system of teaching then beginning, as it has gone on ever since, "to beguile unstable souls" with a most deceitful pretence of truth and holiness. How strange, how sad, how humiliating; what a warning it is just to name the names of those who have recently renounced the Protestant faith of our Church, and taken into its place in their creeds and devotion the whole gigantic monster of superstition, of absurdity, of idolatry, of blasphemy, of spiritual slavery which all must embrace who with any consistency embrace Popery. It is not their going professedly to join themselves openly to the Church of Rome, that I think is sad, or humiliating. On the contrary, *that* was the relief; *that*, in a measure, vindicated our Church; *that* was their testimony to the Protestant, anti-Romish character of our Church. Had they remained with us, as some do whose more befitting company, I fear, is far away from us, it would have declared what we most jealously repudiate, that with all Romish doctrines and sympathies in their hearts, they could find a conscientious companionship in our Articles and Liturgy. What we lament, and have reason to be humbled for, is not that such minds having first abandoned the Protestant faith, did then go from us into *professed* Romanism, but that in our midst and before they went from us, though under teaching and influences of such foreign growth, they so grievously apostatized into all the essential realities of Romanism. There seems to be a class of minds in our communion to which, to be a Romanist in essential points of doctrine and in habitual sympathy, is of little account. It is a very tolerable evil at the worst, they think. Catholic feeling must embrace it within its fellowship. We need not fear it. Let it alone.

But as soon as it is honest enough only to call itself by its right name and go to its own place, then comes the lamentation, then falls the condemnation. It is not the death that is lamented, but the burial. It is not the apostacy that is condemned, but its honest avowal. Do men that think and feel thus, imagine that they are Protestants? Would ten thousand times ten thousand such men be any thing but dead lumber, or something much worse, in a real trial of strength with the hosts of Rome?

From what the last year has exhibited, brethren, let us learn. Remember how once when the seeds of such mature growth were being actively planted, the cry was as actively propagated, *be still;* take no alarm; dishonor not the fair purity of our Church by believing there can be any the least danger of even a tendency to Popery among us. Remember how those who then sounded the alarm and showed the planting of the insidious seed, and traced its certain growth, and predicted the sure results, and did it again and again, were encountered not only with professed incredulity, but ridicule; their common sense derided; their efforts to arouse the Church to a sense of the growing danger treated as if the Church were dishonored by the thought of the possibility of such danger. Remember whence came such treatment; how near its loudest voices were to those who have now verified the strongest predictions or at least are in the most certain road to such result. See what the attempt to cover up the Romish tendencies imported among us, or to palliate them, and to suppress all alarm about them has resulted in, precisely where that attempt was most vigorously made. Learn the salutary lesson of a dear-bought experience, which I have not the time more particularly to exhibit. One thing I note in the history of the past year that is encouraging. There has been a more positive, earnest and general coming out in the Charges and other Addresses of the Bishops of our several Dioceses, and also in the published writings of our other clergy, and I rejoice to add, in the writings of our laymen against the teaching and other influences which have wrought the evils I have been speaking of. Those influences, I am glad to see, are not attacked merely in the gross, but even in the apparently minor and inconsiderable details of church furniture and arrangement and ceremonial; clerical postures and demeanor in the house of God. It is high time the apings of Romanism in official manners and church fixtures were looked to as well as the swallowing of the cup of its doctrinal corruptions. If in some cases there has been too tardy an awakening to a danger which long since was knocking at our gates, and springing its mines

under our feet, we are thankful that it has come even now. If in some cases we may desire to see a more thorough measurement of the whole evil, in root as well as branch, in radical doctrine as well as in poisonous issue, we are thankful for evidence at least that much more is seen and appreciated than once was. We hope for clearer views and louder warnings, till all our people shall be made to understand what the Romish Antichrist is, and where it is, and how it is to be warred against, under whatever name or form or speech it may seek to grow and spread in our truly Protestant, Scriptural Church.

And now, Brethren, lest I tire your patience, I must conclude this Address. But not without a word of exhortation. Strive to make your present coming together spiritually profitable to one another and those with whom you shall associate here. When you preach, preach the simple, plain, pointed Gospel, earnestly. When you hear, do it with simplicity, and seek a blessing upon the word. Meet as often as you can, without interfering with the duties which have chiefly brought you here, for prayer and mutual edification. And the God of all grace be with you always. AMEN.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion, so much of the above as relates to Diocesan Missions was referred to the Committee on Missions, and so much as relates to St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Fairchild, as Chairman of the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following

Report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report that the following alterations in the Constitution and Canons, laid over for reference to this Convention, are found on the 29th and 30th pages of the Journal of 1849.

'Strike out all of the first two sentences, and insert the following, in Article II of the Constitution:

'There shall be a Convention of the church in this Diocese on the second Wednesday of September in every year, at such place as the preceding Convention shall appoint. But in case an epidemic

disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee, shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting.'

Also the following new Canon, to be entitled

CANON IV.

Of Defunct Parishes.

'Whenever a parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.'

All which is respectfully submitted.

T. B. FAIRCHILD, Chairman.

Which was received, and on motion laid on the table.

On motion, the last vote was reconsidered, the report was taken from the table, and the proposed changes in the Constitution and Canons were unanimously agreed to.

Rev. Mr. Britton proposed the following additional section in Canon XV, to be numbered sec. 2; which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

"Sec. 2. Any communicant who shall be represented to the Rector of his Parish by the Vestry thereof or any five respectable communicants thereof, as, by his business, or habitual conversation, or general deportment, or heretical opinions, giving offence to the congregation, according to the rubric, may be repelled from the Lord's table, unless an equal number of fellow communicants shall give their written testimony in favor of his being retained in communion."

Resolved, That the reports relating to Diocesan Missions be the order of the day at the opening of the session on Friday morning.

Resolved, That the election of Delegates to the General Convention be made the order of the day for 3 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow (Thursday).

Moved, that a Committee be appointed by the Chair to nominate Delegates to the General Convention.

Lost.

The vote making Thursday at 3 P. M., the time for the election of said Delegates, was reconsidered, and Friday at the same hour substituted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

DAYTON, Sept. 26th, 1850.

Convention assembled at 9 o'clock, agreeably to adjournment, and after devotional exercises, the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Secretary-elect having arrived, requested the Rev. Mr. Taylor to continue to act as Assistant Secretary.

The Parochial Reports were called for, and laid on the table.

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Resolved, That hereafter the Clerical Reports, in addition to the other statistics, give the names of the Wardens of each Parish for the time being.

Rev. Mr. Stout proposed a new Canon on the subject of collections for Church objects, which was non-concurred in. (See next page.)

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY, Sept. 26th, 2 P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The Parochial Reports were then taken from the table, and ordered to be read. After making some progress in which, further reading was dispensed with, and the Editors of the Western Episcopalian were requested to give them a place in their paper.

Moved, that the vote with reference to the Canon proposed by Rev. Mr. Stout yesterday, be reconsidered.

Carried.

Moved, that the whole subject be referred to the Committee on Canons.

Withdrawn, and instead,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to inquire into the expediency of prefixing to Sec. 2 of Canon XIII, these words:

"In every parish in this diocese, there shall be monthly collections for Church objects, to be made regularly on the third or some other Sunday of each month."

Rev. Dr. Bronson, on behalf of the Missionary and Education Committee, presented the following

Report:

The Missionary and Education Committee of this Diocese, in submitting their Annual Report, beg leave to state, that the Secretary being absent from the Diocese, the documents from which the report should be made are not accessible. The report must therefore be a meager one. The Treasurer will make an exhibit of the

appropriations that have been made and the moneys received. From this it may be inferred what the Committee have done, and what has been unsuccessfully attempted.

From an examination of the reports of several Missionaries, it appears proper to present to the Convention the following suggestions:

1. Far too little is even attempted in the way of sustaining Missionaries and Beneficiaries; for the extension and growth of our Church is not commensurate with the increase of our wealth and population. This must appear evident without a statement of the particulars on which the assertion rests.

2. The stinted appropriations that are made are so slowly and miserably paid as almost to lose their value.

Listen to the following from a worthy Missionary, which is a specimen of what all must often feel, if they do not express it.

———, July 15, 1850.

Rev. and dear Brother,—I am very much in need of some money, and I write now, for I cannot get along without some. Have you any in the treasury? If not, what shall I do? I received $25 in the spring on last year's account, and there is some $70 yet due. What is the prospect of that, and this year's being paid by Convention? I have been obliged to borrow money, and that with other debts is due, and now must I borrow more and pay an exorbitant interest? I cannot do that. My salary will not justify it. I could not go away last spring because I could not get what was due, and now I cannot stay here for the same reason.

Dear Brother, when I think of the importance of this station, and the bare pittance which is given by the Church, and also of the apparent want of interest for such by the Church at large, my heart dies within me, and I am just upon the point of my departure.

I presume you can give me no encouragement that these matters will ever be any better, and we have only to wait and hope and pray that they may be so. * * * —— ——.

This certainly shows that what we do undertake is but poorly done.

3. From these facts naturally arises the inquiry, what is the cause of these difficulties?

The cause certainly is not the inability of Ohio Churchmen to give. It would be preposterous to assert it.

Nor can it be the want of a will to give, when a worthy object is suitably presented. When has the Diocese of Ohio been called upon for $5,000 or $10,000 without making a generous response? Never.

Nor do your Committee apprehend that it is in all or even a majority of instances the fault of the parochial Clergy—that this matter is not suitably urged upon the people. They certainly do feel a very deep interest in the prosperity of the Church, and they feel for the wants of their missionary brethren.

Your Committee would suggest that to some extent a burden rests upon the Clergy which does not properly belong to them. The parochial Clergy must raise money for the support of the Episcopate, for the Contingent Fund, for Missions and Education, for the Widows' and Orphans' Society, &c. &c. By the time they have accomplished the first two the year comes round, and the remainder are crowded out. Such your Committee are persuaded will in many instances be the case until some change is made.

When can a better time be found to make a change in the mode of supporting the Episcopate than after the abundant harvest of this fruitful year? Let a fund be raised so as to relieve the parochial Clergy from this part of their burden and your Committee feel assured that a new impulse will be given to the cause of Missions.

But till such a measure be adopted, let us not shrink from our duty, but manfully do all that can be done for the glory of God and the honor of his Church. Respectfully submitted.

S. A. BRONSON.

Which was accepted and referred to the Committee on Missions.

Rev. N. Badger, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, offered an informal report, which was also referred to the Committee on Missions.

Moved, to reconsider the vote fixing the time and mode of electing Delegates to the General Convention.

Lost.

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to the election of the usual Standing Committees, &c., for the ensuing year.

The ballot in each case was dispensed with, and the following were unanimously elected:

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. Dr. Brooke,	N. G. Pendleton,
Rev. G. D. Gillespie,	Wm. K. Bond,
Rev. A. Blake,	D. K. Cady.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS AT GAMBIER.

Rev. J. B. Britton,	J. R. Swan,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,	C. Delano,
Rev. E. Winthrop,	C. P. Buckingham,
Rev. J. Muenscher, D.D.,	J. W. Andrews,

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TRUSTEES OF EPISCOPATE FUND.

W. K. Bond,	Dr. Strader,

J. R. Swan.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to nominate the Missionary and Education Committee.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Fitch and Platt Benedict, who soon after reported the following nominations, which were unanimously confirmed, the ballot being dispensed with:

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. Dr. Brooke,	S. S. Rowe,
Rev. G. D. Gillespie,	B. Storer,
Rev. W. R. Nicholson,	T. G. Odiorne,
Rev. A. Blake,	S. P. Bishop.

On motion, the arrears charged to the following parishes were remitted: Trinity Church, Toledo; St. Paul's, Fremont; St. Michael's, Unionville; and $4 to St. John's, Wakeman.

Dr. Wm. Wood was unanimously reëlected Treasurer of the Diocese, the ballot having been dispensed with.

The Convention then adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

DAYTON, Sept. 27th, 1850.

Convention assembled according to adjournment, and after prayers, the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, amended and approved.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher proposed the following new

CANON.

Of Candidates for Orders.

No person who is a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Church shall be permitted to accept from any parish an appointment as Lay Delegate to the Convention of this Diocese.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Rev. A. Clark, on behalf of the Committee on Missions, read the following

Report:

The Committee to whom was referred sundry documents relative to Missions within the Diocese, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report thereupon.

Your Committee think it necessary in their report, merely to direct the attention of the Convention to certain facts which appear from the documents submitted to their consideration.

They have to regret, as in former years, that the work of Missions has not been carried on upon such a scale, nor conducted to such results, as the devout lover of Christ and him crucified would desire, and yet they are happy to say that the tone of lamentation over the want of efficient action is not required to be more deep than at the last Convention. On the contrary, a slight change for the better is perceptible. There has been a small increase of means for the prosecution of the Missionary work, over the receipts of last year—enough to encourage the hope that when the facts of the case are laid before the Church at large, and the duty of God's people to sustain the cause of his gospel is properly enforced upon them, they will respond in decisive evidences that they have hearts to feel for the welfare of the Church.

Your Committee would call attention to the fact of the wants of

the Missionary Board for the coming year. These wants, embracing what is required for sustaining the Missionaries already employed, and a moderate allowance to Beneficiaries, cannot be estimated at a less amount than $2,300. This contemplates no enlargement of the present sphere of operations. It is a matter well worthy of consideration on the part of the Convention, whether the Church should be satisfied with merely holding its own, whether the work should not be pushed forward with greater energy, with renewed zeal, and new places occupied which give every indication of being "white unto the harvest."

But how to raise the means to meet these wants, is a question which your Committee hardly know how to answer. They are of the opinion that if individuals could be found possessed of the ability, who would be willing to pledge themselves, each to the support of a Beneficiary, it would aid much in relieving some of the embarrassments which have been hitherto felt. And surely one who wishes to be a faithful steward of the good things committed to his trust, can find no worthier object for his benefactions than their employment in aiding young men in their preparation for the ministry.

Your Committee would recommend as a means of awakening throughout the church a livelier interest in the missionary work, that that portion of the Bishop's Address to this Convention which relates to Diocesan Missions, be read by each Rector to his congregation on some occasion of public worship, as soon as may be after its publication.

Your Committee are also of the opinion that if the first resolution reported by the Missionary Committee of the last Convention, and passed by that Convention, had been more generally known and acted upon, different results would have been seen. They would therefore recommend the re-adoption of that resolution, and its enforcement, as far as practicable, upon all the congregations in the Diocese.

In conclusion, your Committee cannot but allude with regret to the fact that one who has been long known as a beloved and efficient laborer in the Missionary work, the Rev. A. Guion, is about to sever his connexion with this Diocese, and to retire to another portion of the Master's vineyard. His long and faithful and effectual labors in building up the Redeemer's kingdom in this Diocese, will, we trust, be long remembered and appreciated, and we can only wish and pray that in the field to which he is called, monuments of

Christian zeal and pastoral fidelity may be as abundant as those hich he leaves behind him.

Respectfully submitted.

A. CLARK, Chairman.

Which was received, and on motion of Rev. Mr. urr,

Resolved, That the Secretary call on the Clergy and Lay Dele- ates for estimates as to the amount which may be expected the suing year from their respective parishes, for Diocesan Missions d Education.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 2 'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27th, 2 P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, nd after the usual devotional exercises, proceeded to usiness.

Resolved, That the order of the day be suspended for the pur- ose of hearing the Report of the Committee on Canons.

Rev. Dr. Brooke, Chairman of the Committee on anons, presented the following

Report:

The Committee on Canons beg leave to report on the several atters referred to them as follows:

1st. With respect to the Canon on Lay Discipline, which was ferred to them on motion by the Rev. Mr. Britton, your Com- ittee report, that they deem the subject of great interest, and one hich requires some well-matured and wise enactment of the Con- ntion; but in consideration of the importance of the subject, they em it inexpedient to act upon it at the present session, and there- re recommend that the proposed Canon be spread upon the Jour- l, to be taken up and disposed of at the next Convention.

The proposed Canon is as follows: [see page 25.]

2d. With respect to the amendment of Canon XIII, proposed by the Rev. Mr. Gillespie, requiring a monthly collection to be taken up in every church for church objects, your Committee report that while they deeply lament the want of a spirit of active liberality in many Parishes in behalf of Diocesan Missions, they do not believe that contributions to such purposes, as to time, matter, or substance, can properly be made the subject of canonical regulation or coercive enactment; but must be left to the power of divine truth faithfully taught, and applied by the Holy Spirit to the consciences of those who are professing to obey a Divine Master, "whose service is perfect freedom." Your Committee therefore recommend that the subject be left to the Committee on Missions, with the earnest hope that they may devise measures which, under the Divine blessing, may bring up our Parishes to the full measure of their duty on this important subject.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. BROOKE, Chairman.

Adopted.

The same Committee also presented the following special

Report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Parish of Ashtabula, respectfully report:

That it is not expedient for the Convention to take any further steps at this time in relation to the same. For although your Committee believe that the silence of said Parish under the appeal made to it by a resolution of the last Convention, in connection with the kind personal feeling manifested toward its members by the late visitation of the Bishop, would warrant them in proceeding immediately to some suitable act of discipline provided for by the IIId Article of the Constitution, they recommend that the largest forbearance be practised, and that ample time be allowed the Vestry of said Parish to rescind or repudiate by their official action, the obnoxious official acts of their predecessors.

Resolved, That the said Parish is justly liable to discipline provided for by Article III of the Constitution.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to forward a copy of this report and resolutions to the Vestry of said Parish.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. BROOKE,
JOS. MUENSCHER,
B. STORER,
JAS. SWEARINGEN,
} Committee.

Accepted and laid on the table.

The order of the day being the calling for estimates of missionary contributions, 28 parishes reported about $1,275 as what might reasonably be expected from said parishes for the ensuing year.

The hour of 3 o'clock having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

Rev. Mr. Davis moved that the vote be taken by Orders.

The Chair decided the motion out of order, on the ground of its conflicting with the express provisions of Article VIII of the Constitution; from which decision an appeal being taken, the Chair was sustained.

The following individuals were then nominated by various members for Delegates:

Rev. Dr. Bronson,
Rev. Dr. Brooke,
Rev. E. Burr,
Rev. J. B. Britton,
Rev. W. R. Nicholson,
Rev. C. W. Fitch,
Rev. A. Clark,
Rev. Dr. Muenscher,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,
Rev. E. Winthrop,
Rev. G. S. Davis,
M. G. Mitchell,
N. G. Pendleton,
B. Storer,
R. C. Hurd,
W. H. Canfield,
J. R. Swan,
Mr. Ely,
C. Howard,
E. Lane.

The Chair appointed Rev. Mr. McMurphey and H. Bennet, tellers.

On the 1st ballot, the tellers reported: whole number of votes cast, 62; necessary to a choice, 32; and that the following persons were elected as part of said Delegation:

CLERGY.—Rev. J. B. Britton, Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Dr. Bronson.
LAITY.—N. G. Pendleton, M. G. Mitchell, W. H. Canfield.

SECOND BALLOT.

Number of votes cast, 65; necessary to a choice, 33.
No election.

THIRD BALLOT.

Messrs. Storer and Howard requested that their names might be withdrawn.

Number of votes cast, 56; necessary to a choice, 29.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher and R. C. Hurd, having received the requisite and highest number of votes, were declared duly elected, and the Delegation stands thus:

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Clergy.	*Laity.*
Rev. J. B. Britton,	N. G. Pendleton,
Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.,	M. G. Mitchell,
Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	W. H. Canfield,
Rev. J. Muenscher, D.D.,	R. C. Hurd.

Proceeded to the election of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the former Trustees were reëlected for the ensuing three years, substituting the name of Rev. A. Clark, for that of Rev. Mr. Arnett, who has removed from the Diocese, as follows:

TRUSTEES OF GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.,	D. K. Este,
Rev. J. Muenscher, D.D.,	O. T. Reeves,
Rev. W. A. Smallwood,	C. Delano,
Rev. E. Burr,	M. G. Mitchell,
Rev. A. Clark.	

On motion, adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28th, 1850.

Convention assembled, agreeably to adjournment, and engaged in prayer.

Calling of the roll dispensed with.

The Special Report of the Committee on Canons, relative to St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, was on motion unanimously adopted.

The Bishop named the following Parishes as in his opinion essentially defunct, viz: Christ Church, Liverpool; St. Mark's, Sidney; and Christ Church, St. Mary's; and in accordance with Article III of the Constitution, by the concurrence of both orders, their connection with the Diocese was dissolved.

Rev. N. Badger offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That our Delegates to the General Convention be instructed to use their influence to effect, if possible, a modification of the two Canons relating to the Ordering of Deacons, so as to reduce the two Canons to one, render the practice under it uniform, and make a greater distinction than now practically exists between the Orders of Presbyters and Deacons.

Which was on motion laid on the table for the afternoon session.

Leave of absence was granted to the Rev. G. D. Gillespie and several lay delegates for the remainder of the session.

On motion, Convention adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28th, 2 P. M.

The Convention met, and after uniting in prayers, proceeded to business.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Rev. Mr. Wing, on behalf of the Finance Committee, presented a schedule of Assessments for the ensuing year, which, after several amendments, was approved as follows:

Report.

The Committee on Finance report the following assessments for the ensuing year.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingent Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's	$30	$ 5
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	40	10
Berkshire, Grace	8	2
Boardman, St. James'	15	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's	10	2
Centreville, St. David's	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	80	12
Cincinnati, Christ	250	50
Cincinnati, St. John's	70	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150	30
Cincinnati, Trinity	20	5
Circleville, St. Philip's	35	8
Cleveland, Grace	10	4
Cleveland, St. Paul's	70	10
Cleveland, Trinity	80	12
Columbia, St. Luke's	4	1
Columbus, St. Paul's	30	8
Columbus, Trinity	95	20
Cross Creek, St. James'	25	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Dayton, Christ	50	8
Deersville, St. Alban's	5	1
Delaware, St. Peter's	50	10
Dover, St. John's	3	2
Dresden, Zion	10	2
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	3	1
Elyria, St. Andrew's	4	1
Euclid, St. Paul's	4	2

ASSESSMENTS—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	[redacted]
Franklin, Christ	$ 4	$ 2
Fremont, St. Paul's	4	1
Gambier, Harcourt	40	6
Grafton, St. Stephen's	5	2
Granville, St. Luke's	20	4
Greenville, St. Paul's	4	2
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	4	2
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	2	1
Hudson, Christ	18	5
Huron, Christ	4	2
Jefferson, Trinity	5	1
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	4	2
Lyme, Trinity	8	1
Madison, St. Matthew's	8	2
Mansfield, Grace	10	4
Marietta, St. Luke's	25	5
Marion, St. Paul's	4	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's	35	5
Maumee City, St. Paul's	6	2
Medina, St. Paul's	35	5
Milan, St. Luke's	10	3
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	5	3
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	60	10
Newark, Trinity	40	10
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	10	5
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	6
Ohio City, St. John's	18	5
Painesville, St. James'	25	5
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel	5	1
Perry, St. Matthew's	4	2
Piqua, St. James'	55	10
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	8	2
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60	10
Rome, St. Peter's	1	1
Roscoe, Immanuel	5	1
Sandusky City, Grace	50	10
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ	15	2
Springfield, Jefferson co., St. John's	10	2
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	5	1
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50	10
Strongsville, St. Philip's	4	1
Toledo, Trinity	20	5
Troy, Trinity	3	2
Unionville, St. Michael's	2	1
Urbana, Epiphany	8	1

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Amount paid	Amount in arrears.	Am'nt paid.	Amount in arrears.
Gambier, Harcourt	$40 00		$6 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's		$21 00		$7 00
Granville, St. Luke's	20 00		*$ 50	
Greenville, St. Paul's	4 00		1 00	
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	4 00		2 00	
Hudson, Christ	18 00		4 00	
Huron, Christ				
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	1 00			1 00
Jefferson, Trinity	8 00			
Lancaster, St. John's	8 00		2 00	
Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's	10 00			
Lyme, Trinity	5 00		1 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's	8 00		2 00	
Mansfield, Grace		10 00		4 00
Marietta, St. Luke's		25 00		5 00
Marion, St. Paul's				
Massillon, St. Timothy's	25 00		5 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's		8 00		2 00
Medina, St. Paul's	30 00	10 00	5 00	5 00
Milan, St. Luke's	10 00		2 00	
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	10 00		2 00	
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	50 00	11 00	10 00	
Newark, Trinity	30 00	20 00	10 00	
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	10 00		5 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35 00		6 00	
Ohio City, St. John's	16 00		4 00	
Painesville, St. James'	79 00		21 00	
Penfield, Christ		2 00		1 00
Perry, St. Matthew's	2 00		1 00	
Piqua, St. James'	55 00		10 00	
Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5 00		1 00	
Pomeroy, Grace	10 00		2 00	2 00
Portsmouth, All Saints'	60 00		10 00	
Rome, St. Peter's		3 00		5 00
Roscoe, Immanuel		5 00		1 00
Sandusky City, Grace	54 00		5 00	
Sidney, St. Mark's,				
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ	15 00		2 00	
Springfield, Jeff. co., St. John's	10 00			2 00
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'		5 00		1 00
St. Mary's, Christ				
Steubenville, St. Paul's	50 00	59 00	10 00	10 00
Strongsville, St. Philip's		1 00		1 00
Toledo, Trinity	35 00		3 00	
Troy, Trinity	15 25		2 00	

*$4.50 overpaid.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		GENERAL FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Amount in arrears.	Am'nt paid.	Amount in arrears.
Unionville, St. Michael's	$2 00		$1 00	
Urbana, Epiphany	5 00	$5 00	1 00	
Wakeman, St. John's	4 00		2 00	
Warren, Christ	20 00		5 00	
Windsor, Christ	2 00	10 00		$4 00
Wooster, St. James'	15 00		3 00	
Worthington, St. John's	13 00		8 50	
Zanesville, St. James'	128 00		12 00	
	$2000 79	$650 11	$354 50	$179 00

Wm. Wood, Treas. Diocese of Ohio,

To Episcopate Fund, Dr.

For amount received during current year, . . $2,000 79

Contra Cr.

By cash paid Bishop of Diocese, ... $2,000 79

Diocese of Ohio,

To Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, Dr.

For arrears due him last year, . . $658 81
" Salary for current year, . . . 2,000 00
$2,658 81

Contra Cr.

For amount paid him as per Treasurer's account, . $2,000 79

Wm. Wood, Treasurer,

To General Fund, Dr.

For amount received during past year for assessments, $354 50

For amount rec'd from collections to pay arrears, viz:

From Zion, Dresden,	1 40	
St. Matthew's, Madison,	1 20	
Christ, Cincinnati,	40 00	
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	3 00	
Christ, Dayton,	5 00	
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	2 60	
		$407 70
Balance due Treasurer,		10 18
		$417 88

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By balance paid Rev. C. W. Fitch,		$7 50	
"	T. M. Smith, order,	10 25	
"	S. A. Bronson, "	8 00	
"	" " "	8 00	
"	" "	19 00	
"	W. C. French, (expenses,)	8 50	
"	Wm. A. Smallwood,	12 00	
By cash paid W. B. Thrall, printing Journal,		100 00	
" "	" " "	201 97	
" "	Bishop on his account for expenses,	35 00	
" "	postages, printing circulars, &c.,	9 36	
			$417 88

The following are the only arrearages known to the Treasurer, viz:

ON EPISCOPATE.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine,	$658 02

ON CONTINGENT FUND.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, for expenses,	$30 99	
Wm. B. Thrall, exclusive of interest,	18 50	
Rev. T. M. Smith,	25	
" Jos. Muenscher,	18 50	
" Wm. A. Smallwood,	2 00	
Dr. M. W. Stamp,	15 00	
Wm. Wood, Treasurer,	10 18	
		$95 42

NOTE.—In addition to the above, but not properly belonging to this report, the Treasurer would state that $20 have been paid to Rev. H. Hooker of Philadelphia, on account of balance due him for Sunday School Books; the money having been furnished by the Rev. G. D. Gillespie from the sale of a portion of the books originally purchased.

In concluding this Report the Treasurer gratefully acknowledges the kindness with which he has been treated by the Clergy and Laity in his intercourse with them, yet he regrets the deficiency from year to year in the Episcopate and Contingent funds. Quite a large balance remains in favor of the Bishop, which he would be glad to see extinguished, and he hopes some means will be devised to do so. The balance against the latter will probably be paid at the close of the ensuing year, since it has been reduced from $391.91 to $95.42, within the past year, but unless something is done to increase the assessment of the Episcopate, he fears the balance will remain what it now is, if it does not accumulate, and he learns that the Bishop is paying interest on a debt about equal to his arrears.

WM. WOOD, Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Rev. Edward Winthrop,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of Christ Church, and to the citizens of Dayton, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention at its present session.

Rev. Mr. Badger, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, read his Annual

Report.

N. BADGER, Treasurer, *in account with the Missionary and Education Funds of the Diocese.*

		Dr.
To balance reported last year,		$381 80
College Scrip,		66 35
Cash received from Berkshire, Grace Church,		6 00
Boardman, Mrs. S. H. Boardman,		2 00
Chillicothe, St. Paul's Church,		95 00
Cincinnati:		
Christ Church,	78 56	
St. Paul's,	118 67	
Trinity Sunday School,	9 00	
Missionary box in Bp. McIlvaine's family,	10 00	
J. B. Butler, on pledge,	5 00	
Miss N. Doddridge, do.,	5 00	
		226 23
Circleville:		
St. Philip's,	27 00	
Sunday School,	6 00	
		33 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's,		10 00
Columbus:		
Trinity Church,	130 65	
Rev. D. A. Tyng,	10 05	
		140 70
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's,		48 00
Dayton, Christ Church,		33 50
Delaware:		
St. Peter's,	23 25	
Ladies' Missionary Society of do.,	6 75	
		30 00
Dresden:		
Zion Church,	11 00	
Rev. A. T. McMurphey,	5 00	
		16 00

Gambier:		
Harcourt Parish,	$33 36	
Rev. Prof. Wing, on pledge,	10 00	
		43 36
Granville:		
Female Seminary,	5 00	
S. N. Sanford,	5 00	
		10 00
Jefferson, Trinity Church,		1 39
Liverpool, Christ Church,		5 00
Lyme, Trinity Church,		6 00
Madison, St. Matthew's,		6 00
Marietta:		
St. Luke's,	15 00	
Missionary Sewing Society,	20 00	
		35 00
Massillon, St. Timothy's,		70 00
Maumee, a member of St. Paul's,		10 00
Medina:		
St. Paul's,	20 00	
W. H. Canfield,	5 00	
		25 00
Milan, St. Luke's,		17 00
Mt. Vernon:		
St. Paul's,	8 37	
Collection at Convention,	73 37	
		81 74
Newark, Trinity Church,		7 20
Newton Falls, St. Mark's,		5 00
Norwalk:		
St. Paul's,	40 00	
Rev. E. Winthrop,	5 00	
		45 00
Ohio City, St. John's,		17 00
Perry, Coshocton co., St. Matthew's,		1 50
Piqua, St. James',		40 00
Plymouth, St. Matthew's,		2 86
Portsmouth, All Saints',		80 00
Sandusky City, Grace Church,		10 00
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ Church,		33 35
Steubenville, St. Paul's,		23 57
Strongsville, St. Philip's,		2 50
Toledo, Trinity Church,		5 00
Troy, Trinity Church,		4 81
Unionville, St. Michael's,		1 00
Wooster, St. James',		15 00
Warren, Christ Church,		10 00
Wakeman, St. John's,		1 38
Zanesville, St. James',		74 00
Mrs. E. Maxwell, Kingston,		5 00
Wm. S. Clements, Mt. Gilead,		1 50

Friend, through Bishop McIlvaine,	50 00
Friends in Massachusetts, through Miss Stocker,	20 00
" " " Miss F. Cutler,	30 00
Rev. E. Adams,	5 00
Rev. George Thompson,	5 00

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By cash paid	Rev. A. Bronson,	64 88
	Rev. O. Taylor,	62 00
	Rev. C. B. Stout,	122 01
	Rev. A. Guion,	234 00
	Rev. R. Gray,	82 50
	Rev. J. Rice Taylor,	101 10
	Rev. Wm. Miller,	111 00
	Rev. A. Phelps,	80 00
	Rev. Geo. Thompson,	60 00
	Rev. G. B. Sturges,	92 00
	Rev. E. Adams,	51 95
	Rev. H. Hollis,	94 25
	Rev. Thos. B. Dooley,	30 00
	Rev. A. Edwards,	30 00
	Total to Missionaries,	$1,215 69
By cash paid Beneficiaries,		480 28
Error in balance last year,		44 91
Order for Steel Plow, valued at		12 00
Postage for two years,		3 87
Cost of Treasurer's Book,		2 00
Balance in Treasury,		135 99
		$1,894 74

Which was received.

Rev. Mr. Wing, on behalf of the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, reported as follows:

Report.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, have had the same under consideration, but for want of time, and the absence of the Treasurer, and of some of his vouchers, they are not able properly to audit the same, but believe it to be entirely correct.

Respectfully submitted.

M. T. C. WING, Chairman.

Which was accepted, and the Committee discharged.

Resolved, That the Secretary publish 500 copies of the Journal of this Convention.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of previous days' proceedings was dispensed with.

The minutes of this day's proceedings were then read, amended and approved.

The Bishop being absent, Convention took a recess till after divine service this evening.

After recess, the Convention united in singing and prayers, and after the Apostolic benediction by the Bishop, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Convention.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH, *Secretary.*

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Assistant Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

[A]

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

[No report.]

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

Baptisms—infants, 14. Confirmations, 16. Communicants—last reported, 129; added, by admission, 14; died, 2; removed, 6; present number, 135. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5. By Rector and Assistant the children are all catechised on Sundays and other occasions, from four years old and upwards, and the youth attend Bible Lectures by the Rector on Sundays, in summer.

The stated collections are two semi-annual ones for Episcopate and Contingent Funds, and two semi-annual ones for Missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Missions in Wisconsin, $14—Total, $39.

Other contributions for religious purposes are made weekly at the Offertory, and supplementary contributions, made voluntarily at other times, are added to them. From these contributions, the expenses of the Communion Table, the alms for the poor, and the support of the Minister are derived.

JOHN HALL, *Rector.*
GEO. F. RICHARDS, *Assis't Minister.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Baptisms—adult, 1. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 31; added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 1; died, 2; present number, 34. Burials, 5. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 60.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent Fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $6—Total, $18.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Boardman.

[No report.]

St. Stephen's Church, Canfield.

[No report.]

St. David's Church, Centerville.

Baptisms—infants, 8. Communicants—last reported, 79; added, by admission, 3; died, 1; removed, 5; suspended, 1; present number, 75. Marriages, 2. Buri-

als, 4. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 15; number of times catechized, 12. S. S. teachers, 12; scholars, 70.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent Fund, $1; Bible Society, $24; Sunday School Library, $6.40—Total, $42.40.

Your Missionary reports that nothing of great importance or special interest to the Church at large has transpired in this parish during the last year. According to the Bishop's appointment, one-fourth of his time has been spent at Gallipolis, where the prospects of our Church are as encouraging as could be expected under the present circumstances. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—infants, 20. Communicants—last reported, 104; added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 6; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 110. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 40; number of times catechized, 12; S. S. teachers, 13; scholars, 65.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $90; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $97; Domestic Missions, $25; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $15; Communion alms, $52.92; Parsonage at Fort Wayne, Ia.. $23.07; American Tract Society, $28.18; Sunday School Library, $20—Total, $361.17.

I took charge of this Parish on the 22d of November last, and have officiated regularly, on every Sunday, Feast and Fast day of the Church. I have officiated once in a month, regularly, at St. James', Kingston. I have also officiated twice at Hillsboro, once at Bainbridge, twice on Sunday in Circleville, and once in the country. It is due to my Parishioners to say that they have been very mindful of the comfort of myself and family in meeting all our pecuniary wants.

L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rector reports, Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 33; total, 36. Confirmations, 13. Communicants—last reported, 180; added, by admission, 13; by transfer, 4; died, 3; removed, 29; present number, 150. Marriages, 7. Burials, 34. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 75; number of times catechized, 6. S. S. teachers, 16; scholars, 100.

The number of communicants is less than last reported, chiefly on account of transfers during the past year to the new parish of St. John's.

The stated collections are made monthly, for different objects.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $250; Contingent fund, $90; Diocesan Missions and Education, $215.56, including $150 paid for missionary services for Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and not included in the report of the Diocesan Committee; Foreign Missions, $123; Young Men's Bible Society, $307.42; American Tract Society, $54.84—Total, $1,040.82.

The reduced amount of monthly collections is in part accounted for by the omission of the avails of three months, during which the church edifice was undergoing repairs, and the services were suspended. And it is proper to add, that during the past year, the members of the congregation have subscribed about $12,000 towards the erection of St. John's Church, in the western part of the city, besides incurring an expense of about $3,000 in repairing their own building. We feel especially gratified by the first mentioned contribution, as having been disbursed not by a rich corporation from superabundant funds; but liberally advanced by the *individuals* of one parish towards the building up of another. Our hope is that the contributors may realize the spiritual preciousness of the promise, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

JOHN T. BROOKE, *Rector.*
ALFRED BLAKE, *Assis't Minister.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infants, 34. Confirmed, 3. Communicants—admitted, 1; received, 17; returned to the communion after absence, 5; died, 2; removed, 19; dropped on account of absence (Canon XV) 3; present number, 164. Marriages, 12.

Burials, 23. Public services—on Sundays, 102; on other days, 69; total, 171. Children catechised—times, 11; average attendance, 25. Sunday School—male teachers, 6; female teachers, 7: total, 13. Pupils—average attendance, 42. Communion administered—in public, 13 times; in private, 3.

The monthly collections have been appropriated as follows:

The Sunday School of the Parish, $30.25; repairs on the Church edifice, $111.80; Prayer Books for distribution, $17.04; Assessment for the Contingent fund, $30; Diocesan Missions and Education, $118.67; Domestic Missions, $94.91; Foreign Missions, $32.70; Exchange, 0.95—Total, $436.32.

The following sums have also been collected:

Income of the Offertory, $227.19; for repairs on the Church edifice, $35; for the relief of the poor, collected by the Ladies' Society, $19; for the Episcopate, to pay assessment, $155; for the Church Extension Society of the Parish, $10.35; for St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, by Rev. G. B. Perry, $41.50; for Urbana, by Rev. C. B. Stout, $6; for Trinity Church, Parkersburgh, by Rev. E. T. Perkins, $20; by a Parishioner for Diocesan Missions, $5; by do. for Domestic Missions, $1; collected in the Sunday School for Foreign and Domestic Missions, $37.68—Total, $557.72. Whole amount collected, $994.04.

During the year there has been realized by the Ladies' Society, $330.14; appropriated for the payment of balance due for repairs of the Church, and towards the discharge of the church debt.

Subscriptions have been made towards the erection of St. John's Church, but to what amount the Rector is not informed.

The Rector has attended the meetings of the S. W. Convocation at Troy and Dayton, and has made three missionary visits to Hamilton.

It is the aim of the Minister of this Congregation fully to carry out the provisions of the Prayer Book, and to attach the people committed to his charge to the Church—a course which he trusts approves itself to those most interested; and which he is persuaded is for the stability of a congregation, and their fruitfulness in good works.

G. D. GILLESPIE, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 19; total, 22. Confirmations, 15. Communicants—this is a new parish, not reporting at last Convention—added, by admission, 15; by transfer, 65; removed, 3; present number, 77. Marriages, 3. Burials, 14. S. S. teachers, 10; scholars, enrolled 80, in regular attendance, 60.

Stated collections taken up twice every Sunday to defray current expenses of parish.

Communion offerings through the year, $181.28; Collection for Sunday School Library, $48.50.

The following sums have also been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, $43—Total, $332.78.

This parish was organized in the spring of 1849, and religious services were held for the first time on the first Sunday of September following. The congregations have been generally very large, averaging about 800. A noble edifice is now in course of erection, of the pure Norman style of architecture, to cost not exceeding $35,000. The lot on which it stands is most beautifully situated, and about the centre of the city; it measures 99 by 120, and could be obtained only at the enormous expense of a little more than $20,000, making the whole cost of the enterprise about $55,000. Of this sum $50,000 were raised before one dollar's liability had been incurred by the parish. It is expected the Church will be ready for consecration by September, 1851.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Confirmations, 1. Communicants—last reported, 31; added, by admission, 2; died, 1; removed, 2; present number, 30. Marriages, 6. Burials, 8. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, Sunday School collection, $9; Cincinnati Young Men's Bible Society, $6.50; Communion Alms, $19—Total, $59.50.

This parish is now vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Aydelotte in June last. The morning service has been kept up, and the Sunday School open without interruption. May the Great Head of the Church soon send them a faithful Pastor.

A. BLAKE, *Minister in charge.*

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The present Minister entered upon his duties in this parish July 27 of the present year. Number of communicants recorded on Parish Register, 68. Of these it is ascertained that 13 have removed or have otherwise become disconnected with the Church, leaving at the time mentioned, 55. Communicants added, by transfer, 3; by admission, 2; total, 5. Present number, 60. Baptisms—infants, 13. Number attending Rector's catechism class, 18; catechized once. S. S. teachers, 8; average number of scholars, 40.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $45; Contingent fund, $8; Diocesan Missions and Education, $20; S. S. for Diocesan Missions and Education, $6; for Sunday School Library, $14—Total, $93.

This Parish has been greatly weakened by removals. The communicants are also somewhat scattered. But we hope for better days. The services of the Church are well attended. It is hoped that by the faithful preaching of the pure Gospel, this vine of our Lord's planting will revive and flourish.

My Missionary services have been as follows—Services and preaching once in the country. Services and preaching three times for a congregation of colored persons in town.

H. NELSON BISHOP, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 40; total, 44. Confirmations, 1 (confirmed in Trinity Church, Cleveland, the Bishop not having visited Grace Church this year, waiting the completion of St. Paul's Church). Communicants—last reported, 45; added, by admission, 40; died, 5; removed, 17; present number, 63. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 40; catechised first Sunday in each month. S. S. teachers, 15; scholars, 130.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, 2; collected for Parish purposes in and out of the parish, including offertory collections, $175.

T. J. CARTER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 25; total, 27. Communicants—added, 17; died, 3; removed, 3; present number, 90. Funerals, 16. Marriages, 4. S. S. teachers, 15; scholars, 110; volumes in the library, 500.

Amount collected: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Communion offerings, $78.98; for Sunday School Library, $45; Sunday school Scholar's offering, $21—Total, $204.98.

The state of this church is pleasingly prosperous in all respects. Its new and spacious edifice is nigh its completion. Owing to heavy drafts upon the Parish to meet the expense of building, it has not contributed to all the objects it would, nor to any as largely as it otherwise would, this year. The class for Confirmation is believed to be quite large; but the confirmation is not to take place until the Bishop's visitation for the consecration of the church edifice.

During the past year the Rector has been some time absent in aid of the building fund, (which was much weakened by reason of the loss of our first house by fire,) and was measurably successful. Our faith is tried, but not exhausted. Unitedly we are laboring for God's cause, and rejoice to say that it seems not wholly in vain. May this little one become a thousand, ever maintaining "the truth as it is in Jesus."

G. B. PERRY, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—adults, 7; infants, 18; total, 25. Confirmed, 17. Communicants, 140. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 15. S. S. teachers, 15; pupils, about 100.

Catechising has been suspended in consequence of the Rector's protracted illness. For the same cause visiting to ascertain the removals and other changes of communicants has not been practicable.

The following sums of money have been collected, &c., in the Parish: To the Rev. James Abercrombie, for building a Church at Waukesha, Wis., $90; Colored Episcopal Church, Detroit, $25; Missionary to the Jews, $3; Episcopate, $70; Contingent fund, $10—Total, $198.

LLOYD WINDSOR, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants—last reported, 29; died, 1; present number, 28. Burials, 1.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions, $6.94—Total, $11.94.

E. ADAMS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infants, 10. Confirmations, 7. Communicants—last reported, 79; added, by admission, 7; by transfer, 4; died, 4; removed, 22; suspended, 3; present number, 50. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6. S. S. teachers, 8; scholars, 50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $30; Contingent fund, $8; other contributions for religious purposes, $200, realized by the Ladies of the Parish from their parochial sale and supper.

This Church has been without the regular services of a Rector for about 18 months, but has, through the assistance of several clergymen, been able to keep up the services of the Church a considerable portion of that time. The Rev. Wm. C. French officiated every other Sunday for about two months the past winter, and the Rev. H. L. Richards continued the services till the close of June, and has occasionally officiated since.

I. N. WHITING, *Senior Warden.*

Trinity Church, Columbus.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 2; total, 6. Confirmations, 7. Communicants—last reported, 61; added, by admission, 2; died, 3; removed, 3; present number, 57. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. S. S. teachers, 2; scholars, 32.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $4—Total, $34.

Besides preaching to this congregation every two weeks, and the remainder of my time between St. Clairsville and Springfield, I have preached two Sundays in St. Alban's Parish, Deersville, Harrison co., and administered the Lord's Supper each time, and baptized six infants. I have also frequently exchanged with the Rev. I. Morse, of Steubenville, and once with the Rev. J. Goodwin, of East Liverpool.

RICHARD GRAY, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 2: total, 3. Candidates for Confirmation, 3. Communicants—last reported, 53: added, by admission, 3; by transfer, 1: died, 2; removed, 1: present number, 54. Marriages, 2. Burials, 9; 1 at Akron. S. S. teachers, 4; scholars, 16.

The stated collections are—First Sunday in the month, at communion, to be used according to the Rubric or otherwise. Third Sunday in each month, before

the sermon in the morning, for missions and other benevolent objects. Once a year from each head of a family, &c., for Bishop's salary and Contingent Fund.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $46; Foreign Missions, $6; Domestic Missions, $6; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $3.50; Sunday School Books, $7.95; Rev. Mr. Phelps, Franklin, $6—Total, $105.45.

A third service has been held by the Rector once in two weeks at Monroe Falls, two and a half miles from the church. Also Wednesday evening lectures during Lent; and services on Christmas, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Two Sundays have been given to Canton, Starke co., under the Convocational provision. At this place the prospects are very encouraging for the organization of a parish.

With many of his brethren in the ministry, the Rector has his encouragements and discouragements. A contract is now being made to erect a Parsonage, to be completed next spring. The congregation at church varies not much from previous years: that at Monroe Falls has been very good. But there is just cause to mourn over the general state of spiritual deadness, and the fact that so few are found ready to enlist as "soldiers of Christ." There must be a cause for this, and much of the fault is doubtless with him appointed as a "dispenser of the Word of God." May he be more frequent and fervent in prayer, and more faithful in proclaiming the whole gospel of Christ! L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 10: total, 13. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 67: added, by admission, 12; by transfer, 4: died, 2; removed, 7; suspended, 1: present number, 72. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 30; number of times catechized, 12. S. S. teachers, 12; scholars, 70.

The stated collections are, weekly for incidental expenses, and monthly for communion alms.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $8; Diocesan Missions and Education, $21.50; Foreign Missions, $20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $8.50; extra assessment, $5; Rev. Mr. Mitchell, $6; Rev. Mr. Monroe, $10; Rev. Mr. Townsend, $5; Sunday School, for general Missions, $17—Total, $141.

The present Rector has not been quite a year in charge of this parish, having resigned his former attached flock at Chillicothe in November last. He found this parish in a depressed but awakened state, and can now see decided evidences of an advanced and advancing condition. There are six candidates for confirmation, who are ready for communion, besides others who are in a halting state. The congregation is increasing, and pews have been rented to the amount of $250 during the year. Besides uninterrupted services twice on each Sunday and once during the week regularly and occasionally twice, services have been rendered at Hamilton once, Troy twice, Miamisburg once, Urbana once, in addition to attendance at Convocation at Springfield.

A house and lot for a parsonage has been purchased and about half the amount, say $1,000, subscribed, and the remainder we hope to obtain when called for, whilst a tasteful and liberal spirit is manifested on the part of several who seem ready and willing to spend and be spent for the good of the church, for which God be praised, through Christ our Lord. JAS. B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Alban's, Deersville.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants—last reported, 16: present number, 16.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1.

RICHARD GRAY, *Missionary.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 83: added, by admission, 1; by transfer, 6: died, 1; removed, 4: present number, 85. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. S. S. teachers, 17; average number of scholars, 75.

The stated collections are at the Communion only, amounting since 1st February, to $15.37, a part of which has been appropriated to parochial objects, and the remainder to the Episcopate assessment. We have as yet no fixed plan for making other collections.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $30; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5.18; Sunday School Library, $24.94; African Church, Detroit, $3.50; Relief of Parish Poor, $4.50—Total, $128.12.

The present Rector resigned the charge of St. Luke's Church, Granville, on the 1st of January last, and accepted a call to this parish, rendered vacant by the resignation of the Rev. E. H. Canfield, at the time of the last Convention. Since his entrance upon his duties here, the Parish has been called to mourn the loss of another Senior Warden, Dr. Reuben Lamb, who departed this life on the 17th of July, greatly lamented by the Church and the community, as well as by an attached and devoted family.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

St. John's, Dover.

[No report.]

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 2: total, 3. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 25: added, by admission, 3; transfer, 1: removed, 1: present number, 28. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 30; catechized 3 times. S. S. teachers, 17; scholars, 100.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $4; Diocesan Missions and Education, $11; Foreign Missions, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $2; Bible Society, $3.30; Sunday School Books, $25; Collection for Contingent fund, $1.45; Domestic Committee, $10—Total, $76.75.

The Church building having been completed a little over a year, has just been consecrated, and thus by the blessing of Almighty God we are privileged to worship under our own vine and fig tree, and though as a church we are yet few in number, we hope the time is not far distant when we shall experience the refreshing influences of the Spirit, and our beautiful little temple be filled with devout worshippers. The Sunday school is the most interesting and encouraging feature of this parish: though established but little over a year its average attendance since the 1st of June has been over 90 scholars, with a corresponding number of teachers.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's, East Liverpool.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 13: total, 14. Communicants—last reported, 33: added, by admission, 6: present number, 39. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. S. S. teachers, 30; scholars, 120.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $3; Contingent fund, $1; Sunday School, $20—Total, $24.

The Rev. Jas. B. Goodwin, of the Diocese of Virginia, with whose self-denying, acceptable and faithful labors we have been favored the past four years, has given notice that he can supply this parish only until the first of October. Our parish presents an inviting field for usefulness to one who is willing to labor for the love of souls and the glory of God.

Mr. Goodwin has supplied this parish with services something more than half the time (30 weeks) the past year.

H. BROWN, *Sec. of Vestry.*

St. Andrew's, Elyria.

[No report.]

St. Paul's, Euclid.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants—last reported, 18: added, by admission, 1: present number, 19. Average number attending Rector's Bible class, 8. Number of times catechised, 13. S. S. teachers, 3; scholars, 12.

The stated collections are monthly, at which a few dollars have been collected for incidental expenses of the church.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate and Contingent funds, $5.

We have made no other collections in consequence of the embarrassed condition of the parish. The church is not finished, and a little over $100 in debt. I relinquished half of my small salary here for the year now closed to aid, or at least to encourage. We have but four male communicants, and they have made great and praiseworthy efforts to get the church along as far as they have.

E. ADAMS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Franklin Mills.

Communicants—last reported, 23: added, by admission, 2; by transfer, 2: died, 1; suspended, 1: present number, 23. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. S. S. teachers, 5; scholars, 35.

The stated collections are monthly, or at each communion season.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $3; Contingent fund, $2; other contributions for religious purposes, $15.

This church had been without a minister for nearly eight years till the present incumbent commenced his labors. There were at one time 75 communicants. This number was reduced by removal and death to less than one-third of that sum. Within the last few months those families and persons who left the village have been returning. The village is now being filled with Factories, Workshops, &c., and a large population is soon to reside here. The few members of the church are exerting themselves to the utmost to sustain the services of the church. With the aid of the willing in other portions of the church we hope their efforts will be crowned with an abundant blessing. The Rector would take this opportunity to acknowledge with gratitude the many favors which he has received from his brethren in other places, and prays that the seed thus scattered may bear an abundant harvest.

ALANSON PHELPS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's, Fremont.

[No report.]

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 2: total, 4. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 80: added, by admission, 2; by transfer, 1: died, 1; removed, 13: present number, 69. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 20; catechized monthly.

The stated collections are monthly.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $40; Contingent fund, $6; Diocesan Missions and Education, $33.87; Foreign Missions, $50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6; Sunday School, $8; Church at New Castle, $20; Private contribution to do., $5; Contingent Fund deficit in accordance with Resolution of last Convention, $2.67; other objects, about $10—Total, $181.54.

The Sunday Evening Bible Class was suspended during the Summer months. The Sunday School has been somewhat diminished in consequence of a Methodist

Sunday School having been opened in the village. The Rector has officiated occasionally in various other places during the year, and been enabled to attend regularly to his duties as Professor in Kenyon College.

ALEXANDER F. DOBB, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

Communicants—last reported, 29: removed, 2: present number, 27. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. S. S. teachers, 3; scholars, 15.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1.

I have preached usually twice every Sunday and occasionally at other times.

A. WHEELER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—last reported, 62; added, by admission, 1; by transfer, 1: died, 1; removed, 8; present number, 53. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1.

The stated collections are monthly, by subscription, for all purposes.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $8.50—being $4.50 in advance; Sunday School, $8.50; unappropriated, $10.84—Total, $37.00.

The minister having been in charge but a few weeks, has no report of general interest to make at this time. He has preached but seven times in this place, and once in a neighboring settlement.

E. A. STRONG, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

Communicants—last reported, 15: added, by transfer, 1: present number, 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. S. S. teachers, 14; scholars, 80.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4; Contingent fund, $1—Total, $5.

WM. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 3; total, 4. Communicants—last reported, 7. Burials, 1. Average number attending catechism class, 14; number of times catechised, 4.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4; Contingent fund, $2; to defray expenses of clerical visits, $2.86—Total, $8.86.

The services in this Parish have been rendered by the Bishop, and Rev. Messrs. Blake, Britton, Gillespie, and Rose. Two services were on a Sunday. A room, sufficiently large for present use, has been comfortably fitted up, at an expense of about $75. The Holy Communion has been administered once, to five persons. There is one candidate for Confirmation.

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Hudson.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants—last reported, 52: added, by admission, 6; by transfer, 5: died, 1; removed, 10: present number, 52. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Children catechized occasionally. S. S. teachers, 7; scholars, 40.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $18; Contingent fund, $4; Domestic Missions, $4; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5; Sunday School, $5; Beneficiary, $50; Organ, $208.15—Total, $384.15.

Beside regular services in his own church, the rector has preached once in tw weeks at Peninsula, at 5 o'clock, where he has always had good congregations and they maintain an interesting Sunday School of more than 50 scholars. Th parish having been vacant for a year or more the state of things in other respect is not changed for the better. T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

I returned to this parish after an absence of three years in the West. It ha not during that time lain idle—no, it was favored with the services of the venera ble, the Rev. A. Bronson. This parish is dear to me on several accounts, one o which is, that I was the first minister of our Church who introduced the whole some and conservative principles of our excellent Prayer Book into it. Here hav I admitted many to the privileges of God's house—here have I consigned many to the grave, and mourned and wept with the bereaved. Indeed, I may almost sa that I have been identified in some one or other office of the church, with every house in the town. No parish in the diocese, at one period, was in a more flourishing condition, nor is there one now which needs more patience and assistance. Th cause of its present feebleness is emigration. Huron will not always be as it is the time is coming, in the Providence of God, when the church shall again put on her beautiful garments, and be seen to take her part in the furtherance of the gen eral Church. During my absence, the house was stricken by lightning—it ha been repaired. The congregation has been, under all circumstances, as large as could expect. The Sunday school has been revived, and books for it obtained The School numbers 50 children—teachers, 8. My practice has been to preach t the children on the afternoon of every first Sunday in the month—I find it profita ble and good. Present number of Communicants, 15. Baptized 9 infants. Mar ried, 6. Burials, 7. Confirmation, 1.

In addition to my labors here, I have visited Berlin Center once a month fo four months, was kindly received, and gave them at each time the service of th Church and a sermon. In this place there is one Episcopal family. I find tha as regards the condition of our church, the words of the Lord to Joshua still re main to be fulfilled, "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed." I pra "the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

SAMUEL MARKS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

Confirmations, 4. Communicants—last reported, 27: added, by transfer, 2 removed, 2: present number, 27. Marriages, 2. Average number attending Rec tor's catechism class, 10. S. S. teachers, 2; scholars, 10.

The stated collections are made usually every sixth Sunday, at the Holy Com munion.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropri ated, viz: For the Episcopate, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions an Education, $1.39; Domestic Missions, $8; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $0.60 other contributions for religious purposes, $0.33—Total, $20.32.

The above report of Communicants is calculated to make a wrong impression as it includes several families that have actually removed, but have not yet beer transferred by letter. There are others living in the Parish untransferred also, bu many less than of those of the former. The Parish is much weakened by the los of these families. These constant changes are among the sore trials of the minis try of our church. This Parish has had one-third of my services the past year.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Communicants—last reported, 16: present number, 16.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropri ated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions an Education, $5; for Domestic Missionary, $23.10—Total, $33.10.

The Rector of this Parish has officiated in it once every month, and its condi tion is encouraging. L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants—last reported, 23: added, by admission, 5: died, 1; removed, 8: present number, 19. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 18; number of times catechized, 12. S. S. teachers, 7; scholars, 40.

The stated collections are monthly, embracing all Church objects.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions and Education, $5; Sunday School Library, $10; for a Melodeon, $60; for Parochial objects and arrearages on Church, $210—Total, $290.

The loss to this Parish by removals during the past year has been great. But we feel thankful to God to be able to say that so great has been our increase, that our congregation at the present time is larger than it was one year ago. A third service on Sundays has frequently been held in the neighboring school-houses. During the summer Divine service has been performed in the Church on Wednesday mornings at half-past 8 o'clock, and during the winter at 7 o'clock, P. M. There have been Divine services on all the principal holy days through the year, and on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent. For several months during the spring and summer one-fourth of my Sundays were spent in the then vacant Parish of St. Philip's Church, Circleville, where I baptized 4 children. Besides, Divine services have been performed during the year in various places in Fairfield, Perry, and Pickaway counties. ALVAH GUION, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Lyme.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmations, (one from Bellevue,) 4. Communicants, (five added,) 25.

Collected, for General Domestic Missions, $5; for Diocesan Missions, $6; for Bishop's and Convention fund, $6.

The present officiating Minister has been employed for half his time in this parish since last Christmas. During that period the people have procured a first rate Melodeon, which is already well served by a young man belonging to the Parish. They have also received, through the liberality of some friends in New York and Connecticut, a fine-toned Bell, adapted to the size and strength of their Church, as also ten dollars worth of Sunday School Books.

Through the winter and spring the services were all performed at the Church, and lay-reading on the intermediate Sundays. But it has since been thought expedient to remove the afternoon service to a very destitute neighborhood in the south part of the township, with the view of getting up a small chapel there, to be connected with the Parish Church. If this measure succeeds, and other favorable prospects are realized, our people will soon be able to support a clergyman, who shall devote his whole time to their service. There is population enough, and property enough, and no great opposition but a cold indifference.

A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Note.—The contemplated Parish in the village of Bellevue, on the west line of the township, has eleven communicants.

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

Communicants—last reported, 19: added, by transfer, 4: removed, 2: present number, 21.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $6; Foreign Missions, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $2; Bible Society, $3; collection for Contingent fund, $1.20; Domestic Committee, $2.50—Total, $29.70.

There are but few, or I might almost say, none, connected with this Parish who are not communicants, and there is necessarily but little change in its external condition. But I have reason to hope that in a spiritual point of view it is progressing, as those who are connected with it give evidence of growth in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Mansfield.

Communicants—last reported, 18: present number, 18. S. S. pupils, average, 25.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated. viz: For the Episcopate, $10; incidental expenses of Parish—an amount which I am not able to specify.

The undersigned having been but a short time in charge of the Parish, and now only by a temporary engagement, is unable to report more fully as to its present condition. BENJAMIN AUSTIN, *Deacon, officiating.*

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Baptisms—infants, 13. Communicants—last reported, 48: added, by transfer, 2: suspended, 1: present number, 49. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 20. S. S. teachers, 4; scholars, about 25.

The stated collections were quarterly, the first of the year.

The following sum has been raised and appropriated, viz: For Diocesan Missions and Education, $14.62.

I have resigned the Rectorship of St. Luke's, Marietta, and will remove (D. V.) the ensuing October to Wheeling, Va., to take charge of the new Female Seminary in that place, to which charge I have been appointed.

D. W. TOLFORD, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Marion.

Baptisms—infants, 4. Communicants—last reported, 7: added, by admission, 3; by transfer, 1: removed, 1: present number, 10. Burials, 3. Rector's catechism class catechized 3 times. S. S. teachers, 5; scholars, 35.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz: For Sunday School Books, by Ladies' Society, $5; Bass Viol for Choir, by do., $10; for do., by individual subscription, $15—Total, $30.

The above statistics do not fully represent the state of this Parish. They show that when the Parish was organized, some months previous to the last Convention, there were very few communicants, and that the number is still comparatively very small. But they do not show the devout faithfulness of the few whom the Church may fitly call her own here—the regular consistency of their lives—their firmness of purpose, by God's grace, to establish and build up His Church—the gross prejudice and strenuous opposition, as a consequence thereof, with which the church has had to contend. And the Christian forbearance and charity of her few pious adherents—and their unwavering faith that the Divine blessing will attend and prosper their efforts for the establishing and up-building of the Redeemer's Kingdom, if made in a proper spirit and disposition.

I took charge of this parish on the first of last March. I found in connection with the Church at that time six communicants, all females. They had then been five months without public religious services. They had an "upper room" fitted up while their former Minister, Rev. George Thompson, was in charge of the parish, which room, capable of accommodating a congregation of about one hundred persons, we still use, for the reason that we are yet too poor to build a church; though there can be no doubt that if we had a church edifice our congregation would greatly increase immediately. The room which we use is owned by the Senior Warden, who has recently become a communicant, and who charges the parish nothing for the use of the room, although he could readily obtain for it a high rent, if he would but turn the church out of doors.

The Sunday School was organized during the month of May, and is under the immediate superintendance of the Minister. It has far exceeded our anticipations and is very flourishing, although we have a very limited Library, consisting of about 55 volumes, which with a few Testaments, Question and Hymn Books, constitute our entire stock. The Vestry promise towards the support of the Minister during this first year about $150. The remainder of his support comes from Mission funds, which are promised to this station only for the present year.

There is a marked seriousness pervading the congregation, causing us to hope and expect that more will very soon be added to the communion. Many are

"almost persuaded to be Christians," and some are evidently "not far from the Kingdom of Heaven." So that we are greatly encouraged, notwithstanding the pecuniary difficulties under which we labor, and the strong prejudice existing against us, which prejudice, however, we rejoice to see, is gradually giving way as our Church becomes better known.

In the building of a church edifice this parish greatly needs aid. And in the support of its Minister it will probably need aid to some extent for at least three years to come. And the prospects of the town and the Church are such as to warrant us in saying that the parish ought to have this needed help.

GEO. B. STURGES, *Rector.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Communicants—last reported, 56: added, by admission, 1; by transfer, 6: removed, 4: present number, 59. Marriages, 3. Burials, 8. S. S. teachers, 18; scholars, 75.

The stated collections are on the first Sunday of each month, for Missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent fund, $5, and $3 additional—total, $8; Diocesan Missions and Education, $70; Foreign Missions, $3 50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $14; Rev. W. Monroe, for Church in Detroit, $14.50; Domestic Missions (General), $18.40; Sunday School Library, $31.21—Total, $194.61.

St. Timothy's Church is at present in a decidedly flourishing condition. Though no great accessions to the communion are reported, the Parish is constantly gaining strength and stability, and the congregation increasing in numbers. Besides the regular church services, the Rector has held regularly a lecture on Wednesday evening, which has been well attended. Also a Bible class at his own house on Sunday evening which it is believed has been productive of much good. The Rector has also held occasional services in Canton, in connexion with some other Clergy belonging to the Convocation, and is happy to report that these united labors have resulted in the organization of a new Parish, which will seek admission into the Diocese at this Convention. A. CLARK, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 6; total, 7. Communicants—last reported, 134: added, by admission, 3; by transfer, 7; died, 3; suspended, 1: present number, 140. Marriages, 12. Burials, 32. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 57.

Amount raised by monthly collection and otherwise, $658.95.

The above amount has been appropriated as follows, viz: For the Episcopate, $30; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions, $25; Widows' and Orphans' fund, $8; Parish expenses, $128.45; Rector's sala-ry, $462.50.

The Parish of St. Paul's Church is in a healthy and on the whole a prosperous condition. We are a happy, united congregation, by the blessing of God.

GEORGE S. DAVIS, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 7: total, 9. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 30: added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 2: died, 1; removed, 1: present number, 34. Marriages, 4. Burials, 8. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 10; number of times catechized, 8. S. S. teachers, 12; scholars, 60.

The stated collections are made monthly, at the Communion. The only fixed object, Diocesan and Foreign Missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $17.10; Foreign Missions, $10; benefit of S. School, $5; Charitable objects, $3; Repairs on Organ, $20; part payment of Organist, $15; Liquidation of Church debt, about $50—Total, $132.10.

Times have been so hard with us, as regards pecuniary matters, that little could be effected the past year for extinction of debt for church building, which now amounts to something over $250.

The Sunday School, under the superintendence of the Rector, has recently received an accession of several teachers, and is in a prosperous condition. With humble gratitude to Him who ruleth over all, the Rector testifies to the unity of sentiment and feeling pervading his charge, and has to acknowledge many marks of kindness on the part of his people towards himself and family during the year.

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Rector.*

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

Baptisms—infants, 7. Communicants—last reported, 131: added, by transfer, 12: died, 2: present number, 141. Burials, 6. Average number attending Rector's catechisin class, 40; number of times catechized, 6. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 50.

The stated collections are at the administration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday in every month, and on the third Sunday in every month. These collections have been chiefly applied to the defraying of expenses incidental to the services of the church.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions, $9.27; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $7.25; building an African Church in Detroit, $7.25; Communion alms, $50.97—Total, $134.74.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

As nearly as can be ascertained from the records and from resident members of the Church, the number of Communicants last year was 58: removed, 2; died, 1; added, 1: present number, 56. Baptisms—infants, 7. Funerals, 2.

Collections for different objects, other than the current expenses of the Church, as follows: To pay off the Church debt, $2,100; for contingent expenses, about $100; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, $9; Contingent fund of the Diocese, $20; Episcopate fund, $30; Diocesan Missions, $7; other charitable objects, and fencing Church, $100.

In addition to the above the members of the congregation have made a very generous sacrifice in surrendering their slips in Church. When the Church was first erected the slips were sold without reserving the right of taxation. Not far from $3,000 were paid for these slips. These have all been surrendered to the Vestry and are now leased to defray the current expenses of the Church.

On the first of January last this Church was indebted to the amount of about $4,000, for which N. B. Hogg, Esq., held a lien upon the church edifice. Mr. H. generously consented to release his claim for the sum of $2,100. This has been paid, the church is free from debt, and is ready to give a comfortable support to a Minister so soon as one shall be obtained.

S. A. BRONSON, *Minister.*

St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants—last reported, 12: died, 1; removed, 1: present number, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $3; American Tract Society, $14.11—Total, $37.11.

An effort is being made in this Parish to build a Church. A large building formerly occupied by the Baptist denomination as a place of worship, has been purchased and moved to a favorable position on the public square. $200 has been subscribed towards fitting it up in a suitable manner.

G. W. DuBOIS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 3: total, 5. Confirmations, 2. Communicants—last reported, 62: added, by admission, 2; by transfer, 1: died, 1; removed, 5: present number, 59. Marriages, 2. Burials, 6. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 25; number of times catechized, 6. S. S. teachers, 6; scholars, 46.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent fund, $6; Diocesan Missions, $45; Foreign Missions, $16.25; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; American Bible Society, $16.80; National Board of Popular Education, about $20; Collections of the Sunday School, $23.56; other contributions for religious purposes, $16.78—Total, $189.33.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Ohio City.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 10: total, 13. Confirmations, 9. Communicants—last reported, 82: added, by admission, 6: suspended, 1: present number, 87. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 37; number of times catechized, 10. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 50.

The stated collections are Communion offerings, monthly, for objects named in the 52d Canon.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $16; Contingent fund, $4; Diocesan Missions and Education, $17—communion offerings; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6—do.; Domestic Committee, $10—do.; whole amount of communion offerings, $65.22; Sexton's services, $50—Total, $135.22.

Besides the usual Parochial contributions, the following sums have been raised in the Parish during the past year: $20 in full liquidation of arrears to the Episcopate and to the Contingent fund; $150 for Church repairs and improvement of premises, the whole cost of which was $197, and the whole will be paid for soon, most of it being already subscribed and the Parish being determined to be clear, and to keep clear, of debt; $150 in part payment for a second-hand Organ, consisting of 9 stops, and provision is made for the payment of the balance as it becomes due, the whole cost amounting to $430; $20 for a gown and scarf; $275 the proceeds of the Ladies' Fair—this forms the beginning of a Fund, bearing interest, the object of which is the erection of a parsonage, and from the characteristic energy and perseverance of the Ladies of the Parish, it is believed that this very desirable and important object will be consummated at an early day. All of which amounts to $730.22.

This report, compared with those of preceding years, indicates a decided advance in pecuniary prosperity.

In spiritual things, though a higher degree of spirituality and deadness to the world are much needed, yet, however unworthy, the year has not passed without grateful tokens of Divine favor.

LEWIS BURTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Baptisms—infants, 7. Confirmations, 2. Communicants—last reported, 70: removed, 5: present number, 65. Marriages, 1.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $79, in full to Convention of 1850; Contingent fund, $21, do.; Sunday School, $10.

D. D. AIKEN, *Sen. Warden.*

Christ Church, Penfield.

[No report.]

Bethel Church, Peninsula.

[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 7: total, 9. Confirmations, 21. Communicants—last reported, 31: added, by admission, 12: died, 2: present number, 41. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $2; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions and Education, $1.50—Total, $4.50.

About one half of the above named communicants reside in the village of New Castle, some three miles distant. A small church has just been commenced in this latter village, and as soon as it is completed and an organization effected there, the names of such communicants will be transferred from the Perry books. Virtually, therefore, this is a report, not of one strong, but of two very weak parishes.

GEORGE DENISON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 4: total, 5. Confirmations, 6. Communicants—last reported, 77: added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 4: died, 2; removed, 2; suspended, 1: present number, 80. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. S. S. teachers, 20; scholars, 100.

The stated collections are weekly offerings for church purposes and monthly communion alms.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $55; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $43; Foreign Missions, $2; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $40; Domestic Missions, $20; Building churches and parsonages, $8.25; Bible Society, $13.75; Sunday school books, $4.60; Other objects, $2—Total, $198.60. The Rector's salary paid in full.

There should be added to these contributions funds generously presented to the Rector to enable him to travel for his health. To this cause he ascribes, under God, his perfect restoration after months of feebleness. With renewed health it is gratifying to witness an increased attendance on the services of the sanctuary.

C. W. FITCH, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 1: total, 2. Confirmations, 4. Communicants—last reported, 43: added, by admission, 3; by transfer, 1: removed, 5: present number, 42. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 30; number of times catechized, 25. S. S. teachers, 8; scholars, 40.

The stated collections are made usually every sixth Sunday, at the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions and Education, $2.86; Domestic Missions, $2; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $1.40; Sunday school books, $2.22; Contingencies, $0.65—Total, $15.13.

This Parish I believe has been strengthening and improving the past year, although there have been removals as usual. I hope however that the future will be more gratifying than the past, and that we shall have less cause to say "we are unprofitable servants." One third of my time has been given to this Parish.

I have visited during the year Windsor and Hartsgrove, spending one Sunday in holding two services at the former place, and a third at the latter. At both places I found full and attentive congregations. Through my hands Windsor paid two dollars, and Hartsgrove one, to the Episcopate. I have spent one Sunday also in the town of Kinsman, Trumbull co., officiating for respectable congregations upon a short notice. A Parish was organized in this place a year since, after the services of the Rev. D. Miller, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, for a few Sundays. They appear to be deeply anxious for regular ministerial services, and the prospects apparently warrant the support and sympathy of the Church on their behalf.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

Baptisms—adults, 6; infants, 13: total, 19. Communicants—last reported, 34: added, by admission, 6: removed, 10; present number, 30. Marriages, 1. Burials, 7. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 20; catechized 12 times. S. S. teachers, 10; scholars, 108.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2.

Our Parish improves slowly, as we are not over-anxious as to numbers. Our aim is to instruct thoroughly those who are admitted to our Holy Communion. There are 4 persons awaiting the visitation of the Bishop to receive the rite of Confirmation. I have devoted one Sabbath in the month since January, to Gallipolis, at which place a Parish has been duly organized, and is now asking admission into the Diocese. There are some 15 persons candidates for Confirmation; 5 added to communion; present number, 8. Baptized 1 infant. Married, 1. We have great reason to believe that this Parish bids fair to grow in numbers, and so far, the piety and zeal manifested by those in communion gives assurance that we have not labored in vain. Besides the regular services of the Parish at Pomeroy, and the services at Gallipolis, I have preached 60 times in other parts of the country, and baptized 5 children. T. B. DOOLEY, *Rector and Missionary.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 21: total, 23. Communicants—last reported, 145: added by admission, 8: removed, 12; suspended, 2: present number, 139. Marriages, 7. Burials, 25. Children catechized 24 times. S. S. teachers, 22; scholars, 130.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $60; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $80; Domestic and Foreign Missions, $30; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5; American Bible Society, $21; Western Seaman's Friend Society, $61; Colored Church at Detroit, $30—Total, $297.

We have several candidates for Confirmation awaiting a visitation from the Bishop.

A new Church is in the course of erection, to which the Parish has subscribed about ten thousand dollars, which it is estimated will be near the cost of the building. ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Rome.

[No report.]

Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

[No report.]

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants—last reported, 83: died, 1; removed, 14: present number, 68. Burials, 1. S. S. teachers, 12; scholars, 50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50—arrearage of last year, $4—total, $54; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $10—Total, $69.

In reference to the above statement it should be mentioned that the Parish has been vacant during the past year and the pulpit supplied occasionally only. I remark as to the number of communicants, that the actual number resident within the immediate bounds of the Parish, so far as I can ascertain, is 56; the remainder to make up the number above reported, consists of persons who reside at a distance, and whose names have been placed upon our record and still remain there, but who are not really members and supporters of the Parish.

Z. W. BARKER, *Sen. Warden.*

Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co.

Baptisms—infants, 5. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 43: added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 10: died, 1; removed, 3; suspended, 1: present number, 52. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 55.

The stated collections are monthly plate collections (2d Sunday) to defray contingent expenses of Church, amount about $15. Offertory also monthly (1st Sunday) since 1st Dec. 1849, amount $19.46.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $15; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $20; Bethel Mission, $12; Bible Society, $7; Colored Church, Detroit, $11.57; Colonization Society, $2—Total, $69.57.

This Parish has not increased in pecuniary ability in proportion to the increase in numbers. The Rector has in addition to his parochial cure the charge of a Boy's School, the members of which are also members of his family. While this arrangement enables him to obtain a support without becoming burthensome to the Domestic Committee it prevents him from performing much duty in the way of parochial visiting and personal intercourse with the members of his congregation.

P. S. Of the 52 communicants reported above probably about four-fifths are females and minors. CHANDLER ROBBINS, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Springfield, Jefferson Co.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmations, 4. Communicants—last reported, 27: added, by transfer, 1: died, 2; removed, 2: present number, 24. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $3.50—Total, $15.50. RICHARD GRAY, *Rector.*

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville.

Baptisms—infants, 4. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 21.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1—Total, $6.

My congregation continues much better than might be expected, from the very limited services I am enabled to perform among them.

We have at Morristown (ten miles west of St. Clairsville) a small brick Church partly finished, but the Parish has been discontinued by the Convention many years. I have visited the few people that yet remain attached to our communion, and they promise to complete their building when the Missionary promised by the Bishop arrives among them. I have hopes that this Parish may be restored.

RICHARD GRAY, *Missionary.*

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—infants, 16. Confirmations, 17. Communicants—last reported, 125: added, by admission, 11; by transfer, 8: died, 2; removed, 6; suspended, 1; present number, 135. Marriages, 5. Burials, 10. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechized, 12. S. S. teachers, 15; scholars, 114.

The stated collections are monthly for incidental expenses, and quarterly for missionary and other purposes.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $23 57; Foreign Missions, $57; Missions in Illinois, $20; Sunday School Library, $20—Total, $180.57.

The weekly Wednesday evening lecture, monthly teacher's meeting, and services during Passion week, have been continued as usual.

INTREPID MORSE, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

Communicants—last reported, 22: died, 1: present number, 21.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz: For Diocesan Missions, $2.50; Melodeon to be used in the church, $75—Total, $77.50.

E. ADAMS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Toledo.

Baptisms—adults, 9; infants, 22: total, 31. Confirmations, 12. Communicants—last reported, 43: added, by admission, 13: died, 3; removed, 3: present number, 50. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechized, 9. S. S. teachers, 7; scholars, 45.

The stated collections are monthly.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate and Contingent funds, $43; Diocesan Missions and Education, $5; Foreign Missions, $16.50; Sunday School Books, $32; other various purposes, $49.50—Total, $146.

H. B. WALBRIDGE, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Troy.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—last reported, 24: present number, 20. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 60.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $9.25; Contingent fund, $6 52; Diocesan Missions and Education, $4 81—Total. $20 58.

The Rev. John Foster has preached for us twice a month up to the first of April, since which the Rev. Mr. Britton, of Dayton, has preached once, and the Rev. Mr. Stout, of Urbana, four Sundays. We have quite an interesting Sunday School, but there is much labor to be performed before the spiritual lethargy which seems to hang over this parish can be removed.

ASA COLEMAN, *Sen. Warden.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

Confirmations, 4. Communicants—last reported, 22: added, by admission, 2: died, 1; removed, 3: present number, 20. Burials, 1. S. S. teachers, 4; scholars, 12.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $2; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions and Education, $1; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $1; other contributions for religious purposes, $1.10—Total, $6.10.

There has been but little change in this Parish during the year past. Yet your Missionary has had a little more encouragement than in the year previous. One worthy communicant has died. One-third of my services has been given to this Parish.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Church of the Epiphany, Urbana.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmations, 5. Communicants—last reported, 22: added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 2: present number, 28. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. S. S teachers, 6; scholars, 27.

The stated collections are monthly this year for incidental expenses and furnishing the Church.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Lamps for Church, $14.50; Pulpit and Desk trimmings, $15; Incidental expenses, about $10—Total, $45 50.

Six of the above communicants reside in Kenton. The parish has not contributed to the cause of Missions except in sustaining its own Missionary—the completion of their Church building requiring all their means. Hereafter this cause will receive its share of contributions. The new Church has been furnished, provided with Bell and Melodeon, and has been opened for Divine services on Sundays, since the 25th of August. As soon as some pledges are received, and the balance

of subscriptions collected which were subscribed towards the building, arrangements will be made by the Vestry for the liquidation of the remaining indebtedness, so that the Church can be consecrated. The building is one of the best, as well as one of the pleasantest, in the Diocese, and has cost about $3,100, including furniture. The lot cost $500. Total outlay, $3,600. Of this sum about $2,060 has been and will be paid in the parish. For the balance the congregation are deeply indebted to friends in Columbus, Cincinnati, and the Eastern Cities. The Rector has met with generous kindness in every place where personal application was made. The Church will accommodate 300 persons. When it is remembered that but two years have passed since this parish was organized, it will be confessed that most encouraging success has been realized. The communicants have more than doubled. To God's name be all the praise, for Christ's sake. Amen.

CHAS. B. STOUT, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakeman.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmations, 6. Communicants—added, 6: removed, 3: present number, 20. S. S. teachers, 2; scholars, 6.

Collected: For General Domestic Missions, $3; Diocesan Missions, $1.38; Improvements on Church, $3.50; Bishop's and Convention fund, $5—Total, $12.88.

The Parish is small, (five families, and individuals from five more,) but the members are so steadfast that the prospects, on the whole, are encouraging.

A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Warren.

Baptisms—infants, 9. Communicants—last reported, 30: added, by admission, 3; by transfer, 1: removed, 2: present number, 32. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 30; number of times catechized, 12. S. S. teachers, 13; scholars, 50.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $10; Foreign Missions, $14.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $4; Sunday School Library (contributed by Mr. E. Smith), $34; St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, $6; American Tract Society, $7; Weekly offerings of the Parish, appropriated to the payment of sundry debts contracted in furnishing the Church, &c., $75—Total, $175.50.

G. W. DuBOIS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Windsor.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—last reported, 25: added, by transfer, 3: died, 1: present number, 27. Burials, 2. S. S. teachers, 6; scholars, 25. Children catechized monthly.

The stated collections are semi-monthly, viz: on the first and third Sundays of the month, the latter for Missions exclusively.

The following sums have been raised by collection and appropriated, viz: For Contingent fund, $3; Diocesan Missions and Education, $15—Total, $18.

The undersigned has had charge of this Parish only since April last. This report is accordingly for a period of less than six months.

JOHN J. McELHINNY, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Confirmations, 5. Communicants—last reported, 35: added, by admission, 5; by transfer, 1: removed, 2: present number, 39. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6. S. S. teachers, 9; scholars, 30.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $13; Contingent fund, $8.50; Bethel cause, $5; Sunday School, $15.75—Total, $42.25.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Confirmations, 9. Communicants—last reported, 119: added, by admission, 6; by transfer, 14: died, 4; removed, 9, suspended, 1: present number, 125. Marriages, 3. Burials, 11. Average number attending Rector's catechism class, 15; number of times catechized, 5. S. S. teachers, 21; scholars, 117.

The stated collections are at the monthly Communion, for the poor, &c., and on one other Sabbath of each month for contingent expenses of the parish.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $125; Contingent fund, $12; Diocesan Missions and Education, $74; Domestic Missions, $28; Foreign Missions, $35; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $25; Sabbath School of Parish, $50; Bible Society, $10; Colonization Society, $36; Tract Society, $10—Total, $405.

No event of more than ordinary interest has occurred during the year. A new Organ is in progress at an expense of a thousand dollars. A few names have been added to our list of communicants. The congregation are at peace among themselves. An encouraging state of feeling on the great subject of religion appears to prevail. Many are not far from the kingdom of heaven. What we need is an effusion by the Lord of His blessed Spirit, and then how soon would all be life and joy. WM. A. SMALLWOOD, *Rector.*

Rev. N. Badger

Reports, that his time during the year has been mainly occupied in duties connected with the Press and the Preparatory Schools of Kenyon College. He has received numerous testimonials that the Diocesan Paper is well received, and is doing good service in the Church. The Schools have been but moderately patronized. The conduct and improvement of the pupils in attendance, with an occasional exception, have been highly satisfactory; and the class of those who have been considering themselves candidates for College, has been somewhat larger than usual. He has preached occasionally in different parishes, and although he is not permitted to see large results from his labors, he is not conscious of having been, at any time, unnecessarily idle in his Master's vineyard.

Rev. John Boyd.

According to the requirement of the Canon I would report that after my ordination I preached at St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, on the 10th Sunday after Trinity, and on the 11th Sunday after Trinity at St. Luke's, Granville, after which I performed no more services until the 15th Sunday after Trinity, at which time I took the charge of St. Luke's Marietta, where I have regularly performed my duties until the present. During my ministry here there has been one marriage solemnized, and one child baptized. My predecessor, the Rev. D. W. Tolford, will report the state of the Parish.

Rev. J. A. Brayton.

I would respectfully report, that during the last Conventional year I have been engaged in the Education of Youth, all inmates of my family, and forming with my own children a Domestic School. I have also officiated in conducting the public worship in the Parish of St. James' Church, Painesville, in which I reside, (the Rectorship being vacant,) reading and preaching in the morning about one-half the Sundays of the year—performing the other public offices in this Parish when requested to do so; and have read prayers and preached six times in neighboring Parishes.

Rev. S. A. Bronson

Reports to the Bishop, that he has devoted himself during the year to the discharge of his duties connected with Kenyon College. In addition to his appropriate duties as President and Professor, he has taught a class in Hebrew in the Theological Seminary, and a class in Greek in the Collegiate department.

Rev. J. L. Bryan

Reports to the Bishop as follows: For six months and a half he filled a which occurred in the Parish of St. Luke's, Granville, during which tim emnized one marriage, baptized one infant, and attended two funerals. close of these services he took a trip to Ashtabula co., and there spent a S Hartsgrove, where the Church is kept up by lay-reading. A Sunday given to Windsor, preaching morning and afternoon. Here some atten been made to keep up lay-reading, but without success, and the churc vacant every Sunday. In returning home he spent a night at Parkman, tized an infant, the grand-daughter of Mr. F. Kirtland, an "old disciple Episcopal Church there. This journey occupied a part of July and Augt

Rev. Edward H. Cumming

Reports to his Bishop, that since his ordination, Sept. 8th, 1849, h various places in Ohio and Kentucky, preached fifty two times. Since t middle of January last, and until the middle of July last, he has been en the duties of his Agency in the service of the Ameri an Tract Soci ty (h labor being the State of Kentucky). Since the middle of July he has not his labors for the Tract Society, but has during his vacation endeavored to by rendering to his brethren in the neighborhood of his residence all the a in his power in the desks and pulpits of their churches.

Rev. Geo. Denison

Reports to the Bishop, that in addition to the very onerous duties of fessorship in Kenyon College, he has preached regularly once in two wee Matthew's Church, Perry, Coshocton co., and also in the Village of Ne the statistics of all which he has reported under the name of that parish, t required. He has also preached in the order of his course at Gambier, t what he could toward sustaining the Western Episcopalian.

Rev. John Foster

Reports, that since last Convention he continued to supply Trinity Troy, half of the time till the first Sunday in April. He has also preache Piqua, twice in Dayton, and twice in Springfield, solemnized one marr buried one communicant. (Report of Trinity Church, Troy, given in place.)

Rev. Albert Helfenstein.

In consequence of having no Church building, I have preached o sionally during the past year. The cholera has swept away two of our ve the Senior Warden and a Trustee, together with the wife and child of th I officiated in all at 12 funerals, baptized 1 infant, and married 4 couples the church will exercise a satisfactory influence in this region ere lor prince of this world hath his sway here, while the standard raised again but feeble and obscure. But the great Head of the Church is working by dence, and will work by human instrumentality to the pulling down of th holds of sin and the discomfiture of Satan.

Rev. Henry Payne.

Again I am reminded of my final account to the great shepherd and souls, by the return of the period for sending a report of my labors to you. the past year I have been engaged six months as an Agent of the Americ Society, and six months as a Missionary of the American Sunday Schoc In the service of the latter Society I am still engaged, preaching as ofte calls, which I suppose to be whenever opportunity offers; I have also fre portunities of addressing the scholars and teachers of Sunday Schools. would I resume the duties of a pastor, as more conducive to personal a

comfort, if my voice would allow of such duties; but being denied this happiness, I rejoice that my present field of laborious service and extensive usefulness is open to me.

Rev. Geo. F. Richards.

Since my connection with this Diocese, which began on the 8th of July of the present year, I have assisted the Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, reading both the Morning and Evening Prayer upon every Sunday, and preaching once or twice as the Rector desired. I have also assisted him in the catechising of the children of the Parish, and in the administration of the Holy Eucharist. Upon the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity I supplied the pulpit of Trinity Church, Newark, and the Sunday after I officiated for the Rev. Mr. Strong, of St. Luke's, Granville, who was absent upon duty at another place.

Rev. H. L. Richards

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that though engaged principally in secular business during the last year, he has yet not neglected to avail himself of opportunities of officiating in the way of his profession as they have occurred to him. During the last winter and up to about the first of July, he officiated, by invitation of the Vestry, regularly once a Sunday in St. Paul's, Columbus, during which time the sacraments were administered on several occasions, and a class of 7 was confirmed, as will appear in the parochial report. He also remained in the city during the progress of the cholera, and being the only clergyman of the Episcopal Church in town had frequent occasions of ministering to the sick and dying and burying the dead. He acknowledges the goodness of God in the very great improvement of his health, but regrets that he cannot yet feel justified in assuming the entire duties of a parish.

Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D.,

Reports to the Bishop, that he has been engaged in his official duties in the Theological Seminary during the year; and has officiated in his turn in Rose Chapel, assisting the Rector in other services as occasion required. The summer vacation he spent in New-England; preached the sermon on occasion of the ordination of Rev. John Cotton Smith to the Priesthood, and assisted in the services at his institution to the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Bangor, Maine. He also officiated in various other churches during his absence.

*** Ten of the Clergy have furnished no Clerical Reports.—Sec.

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Constitution and Canons

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Wednesday of September in every year, at such place as the preceding Convention shall appoint. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in

case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee, shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VII.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who

are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case, the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

CANONS.

CANON I.

Of the trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.

Sect. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which according to Canon XXXVII of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sect. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such noti-

fication within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within the Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a Clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of

Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

Sect. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

Of the Vestry of a Church.

Sect. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

Sect. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

Sect. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

Sect. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

Of the Admission of a Church or Congregation into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing

Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

Of Defunct Parishes.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

CANON V.

Of Attendance on Convention, and Requisites for the Admission of Lay-Deputies.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented. and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

CANON VI.

A List to be made of the Ministers in the Diocese.

Sect. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sect. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the fourth article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VII.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

Sect. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

Sect. 2. In addition to the register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

Sect. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VIII.

Of Vacant Congregations.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON IX.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON X.

Of Lay Readers.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON XI.

Of preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XII.

Of the Secretary of the Convention.

Sect. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sect. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XIII.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

Sect. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

Sect. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIV.

Of Missions and of Education for the Ministry.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XV.

Of the Support of the Episcopate.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XVI.

Of Lay Discipline.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a com-

municant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVII.

Of Contingent Expenses.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVIII.

Of Alterations in the Canons and Additions thereto.

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor, (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

Of former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

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RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair—shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the

Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to which shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. *Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and they shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF O

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohi

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be held on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the names of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish and those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF THE CLERGY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

SEC. I. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio*, that M. T. C. Wing, William Sparrow, John P. Bausman, James McElroy, Ethan Allen, R. V. Rogers, B. P. Aydelott, Alvah Sanford, A. Guion, and William Preston, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Ohio, and such clergymen in the orders and communion of the said church, as may hereafter become their associates, and shall be contributors to the funds of the corporation herein erected, and as may be admitted into the said corporation by a majority of the members thereof, for the time being, shall be, and they and their successors are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of "The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the State of Ohio;" and by the same name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law of taking, holding, and alienating any estate, real or personal; *Provided*, that the annual income of such property shall not exceed *five thousand dollars*.

SEC. II. The members of the said corporation and their successors may meet at such time and place as a majority shall agree upon, for the purpose of forming such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the purpose of this Act: *Provided*, that such rules be not repugnant to the laws and constitution of this State.

SEC. III. That the said corporation and their successors by the name aforesaid, shall be capable of sueing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all courts of justice whatsoever, and that it shall be lawful for them and their successors to have a common seal, and the same to change at their pleasure, and shall in general have and exercise all such privileges as are by law incident and necessary to a corporation of this kind, to enable them to carry into effect the designs of this Act; for the benefit and succor and relief of the Widows of such Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, agreeably to such rules and by-laws as may be established for the management and payment of annuities to the said widows, and for the education of their children, and settling them in some useful business or profession: *Provided*, also, that any future Legislature may alter, amend or repeal this Act, provided such repeal shall not infringe any vested rights.

JOHN H. KEITH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
DAVID T. DISNEY,
Speaker of the Senate.

FEBRUARY 27, 1834.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, was holden in Christ Church, Dayton, on the morning of September 26th, 1850.

The Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, and ex-officio President of the Society, took the Chair.

The Minutes of the last annual meeting were read and amended by inserting the following resolution, passed at that meeting, but inadvertently omitted in the record.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Winthrop—*Resolved*, That the 6th Article of the Fundamental Laws, as amended, shall take effect from and after this date.

After which the minutes, as amended, were approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read by the Secretary, and on motion, accepted.

The Secretary then read the following report, which, on motion, was accepted.

Fifth Annual Report.

Five years have now elapsed since the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen of our Church in this State, went into operation. And we would record the fact with gratitude to Almighty God, that during the period of its existence, no death has occurred among its members.

In consequence of having no annuities to pay, the funds of the Society have increased more rapidly than could have been reasonably anticipated in so short a time and with so little effort. They are still, however, altogether inadequate to meet the demand which may be expected before long to be made upon them; and far below the amount necessary to give stability and permanence to this excellent institution. A less sum than Ten thousand dollars is insufficent for carrying out faithfully and effectively the benevolent designs of the institution, and until that sum is obtained and permanently invested, the stability of the Society cannot be regarded as secure.

At the close of the last fiscal year, the funds of the Society consisted of Notes, Bonds and Bank Stock to the amount of $3671.11. This sum, during the past year, according to the Treasurer's report, has been increased to $4460.22, showing an advance on the previous year of $789.11. The *cash* receipts, however, have not been as large, as they were the year before, by the sum of $269.44. This is owing to the fact that the Parochial contributions,

which constitute the chief reliance of the Society, have, so far as heard from, been considerably less during the past year. Contributions have been received from only *twelve* parishes, amounting, inclusive of the collection at Convention, to $130.89: whereas during the previous year, the sum received from this source, together with the amount collected at Convention, amounted to $281.06, which was contributed by 16 parishes.

There has been paid on premium notes the past year, the sum of $86.44. A permanent investment has been made of $670.00 in the Bonds of Knox County, the par value of which is $900.00, and which are bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. The property of the Society now consists of

18 Bonds of Knox County, $100 each, . .	$1800 00
11 Shares Mechanic's Bank Stock, city of New York, cost, ...	217 80
Premium and other Notes of members, . .	2442 42
Cash on hand, ...	40 50
	$4500 72

Six new members have been added to the Society during the past year, making 54 in all. Of these, however, two have forfeited their membership, in consequence of failing to comply with the conditions expressed in Article 3d of the Fundamental Laws: which leaves the present number 52. The names of the members are as follows: Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., Rev. Drs. S. A. Bronson, J. T. Brooke, R. B. Claxton, G. B. Perry, J. Muenscher, and T. M. Smith; and the Rev. Messrs. A. F. Dobb, E. H. Canfield, T. B. Fairchild, W. A. Smallwood, A. Phelps, E. Burr, R. S. Killen, J. B. Britton, A. Guion, L. L. Holden, H. Payne, E. Winthrop, A. Wheeler, N. Badger, G. Denison, A. Blake, J. L. Bryan, G. S. Davis, L. N. Freeman, W. C. French, R. Gray, H. Hollis, E. Lounsbury, H. L. Richards, C. B. Stout, G. B. Sturges, M. T. C. Wing, C. C. Townsend, A. T. McMurphey, C. W. Fitch, J. R. Taylor, Abr. Bronson, R. K. Mead, E. Boyden, W. W. Arnett, T. B. Dooley, J. Ufford, R. S. Nash, L. Burton, G. D. Gillespie, A. Clarke, C. Dresser, L. Windsor, K. J. Stewart, and D. W. Tolford—52.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Secretary.

On motion of Rev. E. Winthrop, it was unanimously resolved, that those Clergymen residing out of the Diocese of Ohio, who are or may hereafter become members of this Society, be requested to take up an annual collection in their respective parishes for its benefit.

The following amendment to Fundamental Law I. was proposed by Rev. C. W. Fitch, considered, and on motion, laid over for final action till the next annual meeting:

After the words "not bearing interest," add the following,—"whilst the Clergyman belongs to the Diocese of Ohio, but bearing

interest, if he belongs to another Diocese, or removes from this, after becoming a member."

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Notes of the two Clergymen who have forfeited their membership be cancelled.

It having been signified to the Society that Dr. Stamp declined a re-election to the office of Treasurer, the duties of which he has most faithfully performed ever since the organization of the Society, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society be tendered to Dr. M. W. Stamp, for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of Treasurer.

The Society then, on motion, proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were duly elected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., President (ex officio).
Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., of Mt. Vernon, Secretary.
GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., of Mt. Vernon, Treasurer.

The Society then, on motion, adjourned *sine die*.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Clergy, Widow and Orphan Society, in account with M. W. STAMP, *Treasurer.*

1849.	Cr.	Securities.	Cash.
Oct. 14	By Balance of old account,	$3,249 84	$421 27
Dec. 17	Cash from Coupons on Knox County Bonds,		54 00
	Mechanics Bank Stock dividend, May 4, 1849,		7 92
	Nov. 1, 1849,		9 90
1850.	1 per cent. premium,		18
May 30	By Cash collection at St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, by Rev. G. D. Gillespie,		25 72
July 3	By Knox County Bond, No. 409, for $100, purchased by Dr. Muenscher for $70, in part of following receipts, viz:—Collection, Bethel Church Boston, by Rev. A. Phelps, $3; Rev. L. Windsor, $3; Rev. T. M. Smith, D.D., $6 88; Rev. A. T. McMurphey, interest on Note, 36 cts.; Rev. J. R. Taylor, $3; Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D., $3; Rev. K. J. Stewart, $3; Collection at Convention, $27 45; Rev. H. L. Richards, $3 10; Rev. D. W. Tolford, $3; Rev. J. Ufford, $3 10; Rev. E. Boyden, $3.10; Rev. N. Badger, $3; Rev. C. C. Townsend, $2 50; Rev. M. T. C. Wing, $3—$70 49. Cash in full of above receipts,	100 00	49
Aug. 16	By Cash received through Dr. Muenscher, from Rev. R. Gray, $3; Christ Church, Cross Creek, $4; St. John's, Springfield, $3 50; Rev. Dr. Bronson, $3; Rev. M. T. C. Wing, $3; Rev. G. D. Gillespie, $3; Rev. C. W. Fitch, $3; Rev. A. Clark, $3; St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, $11; Rev. T. B. Fairchild, from Christ Church, Hudson, $5; Rev. L. Freeman, from Easter offerings St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, $15; Rev. C. Dresser, $3; Rev. H. Hollis, $3; Rev. E. Winthrop, from St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, $10; Rev. A. F. Dobb, from Rosse Chapel, Gambier, $6; Rev. L. L. Holden, from St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls, $3 50; Rev. G. Denison, from Trinity Church, Newark, $9 27,		91 27
"	By Premium Note of Rev. G. D. Gillespie,	50 00	
	Rev. A. Clark,	50 00	

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

1850.	Cr.	Remarks.	Cash.
	By Premium Note of Rev. C. Dresser,	$50 00	
	Rev. L. Windsor,	50 00	
	Rev. K. J. Stewart,	50 00	
	Rev. D. W. Telford,	50 00	
Aug. 16	By Knox County Bonds,	300 00	
	By Cash per Dr. Muenscher, from Rev. R. S. Nash, $3; Collection St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon, $7 25; Rev. W. W. Arnett, $6 20; Rev. Dr. Claxton, $3,		19 45
	By Balance of Interest,		23 31
	By Note of Rev. R. Gray, omitted in former report,	3 00	
	By Premium Notes of Rev. J. R. Taylor, $50, and Rev. C. C. Townsend, $50, omitted,	100 00	
		$4,552 84	$653 51

1850.	Dr.		
May 30	Off Premium Note of Rev. H. L. Richards,	25 72	
	To Printer's Bill, $11: Postage, $1 91.		12 91
	Off Premium Note of Rev. R. Gray, $7 13: Rev. A. Clark, $11: Rev. T. B. Fairchild, $1 07: Rev. L. N. Freeman, $12: Rev. E. Winthrop, $10: Rev. A. F. Dobb, $6: Rev. G. Denison, $3 27,	56 47	
Aug. 16	To Cash paid per $300 Knox County Bonds,		600 00
	Off Premium Note of Rev. Dr. Muenscher,	4 25	
	To Postage,		10
	To Notes of Rev. Dr. Bronson, cancelled,	6 00	
	Rev. C. B. Stout,	18	
		4,460 22	40 50
		$4,552 84	$653 51

M. W. STAMP, Treasurer.

FUNDMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for $50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of $3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due until paid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the

amount of his premium note ($50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, ($75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note.

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they be twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them: but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years; or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child may come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among the children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years, if a male, or twenty-five, if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children at the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or

when they may have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow, if she be still alive, and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, or the term of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

RULES

FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceeding of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

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ST. JAMES', Boardman.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Canfield.
ADVENT, Canton.
ST. DAVID'S, Centreville.
ST. PAUL'S, Chillicothe.
CHRIST, Cincinnati.
ST. JOHN'S, Cincinnati.
ST. PAUL'S, Cincinnati.
TRINITY, Cincinnati.
ST. PHILIP'S, Circleville.
GRACE, Cleveland.
ST. PAUL'S, Cleveland.
TRINITY, Cleveland.
ST. LUKE'S, Columbia.
ST. PAUL'S, Columbus.
TRINITY, Columbus.
ST. JAMES', Cross Creek.
ST. JOHN'S, Cuyahoga Falls.
CHRIST, Dayton.
ST. ALBANS', Deersville.
ST. PETER'S, Delaware.
ST. JOHN'S, Dover.
ZION, Dresden.
ST. STEPHEN'S, East Liverpool.
ST. ANDREW'S, Elyria.
ST. PAUL'S, Euclid.
CHRIST, Franklin.
ST. PAUL'S, Fremont.
ST. PETER'S, Gallipolis.
HARCOURT, Gambier.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Grafton.
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ST. PAUL'S, Greenville.
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ST. PAUL'S, Hartsgrove.
CHRIST, Hudson.
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TRINITY, Lyme.
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GRACE, Mansfield.
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ST. PAUL'S, Maumee City.
ST. PAUL'S, Medina.
ST. LUKE'S, Milan.
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ST. PAUL'S, Mt. Vernon.
TRINITY, Newark.
ST. MARK'S, Newton Falls.
ST. PAUL'S, Norwalk.
ST. JOHN'S, Ohio City.
ST. JAMES', Painesville.
CHRIST, Penfield.
BETHEL, Peninsula.
ST. MATTHEW'S, Perry.
ST. JAMES', Piqua.
ST. MATTHEW'S, Plymouth.
GRACE, Pomeroy.
ALL SAINTS', Portsmouth.
ST. PETER'S, Rome.
IMMANUEL, Roscoe.
GRACE, Sandusky City.
CHRIST, Springfield, Clarke co.
ST. JOHN'S, Springfield, Jeff. co.
ST. THOMAS', St. Clairsville.
ST. PAUL'S, Steubenville.
ST. PHILIP'S, Strongsville.
TRINITY, Toledo.
TRINITY, Troy.
ST. MICHAEL'S, Unionville.
EPIPHANY, Urbana.
ST. JOHN'S, Wakeman.
CHRIST, Warren.
CHRIST, Windsor.
ST. JAMES', Wooster.
ST. JOHN'S, Worthington.
ST. JAMES', Zanesville.

TOTAL—85.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, SEPTEMBER, 1851.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. ELI ADAMS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Euclid, and Missionary at St. Philip's Church, Strongsville, and St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

The Rev. BENJAMIN AUSTIN, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Principal of the Preparatory School, Gambier.

The Rev. ALBERT BINGHAM,* Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. HIRAM N. BISHOP, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, Minister in charge of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. JOHN BOYD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,* residing at Painesville.

The Rev. JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON, Missionary in charge of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and Trinity Church, Lyme.

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological Seminary, and of Mental Philosophy and Rhetoric in Kenyon College.

The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. T. J. CARTER, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

* An asterisk indicates the names of those not entitled to seats in this Convention, in accordance with Art. IV. of the Constitution.

The Rev. Anson Clark, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D.D., President of St. John's College, Cincinnati.

The Rev. E. H. Cumming, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Rev. G. S. Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. George Denison, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. Thomas B. Dooley, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Missionary.

The Rev. George Washington Dubois, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

The Rev. Abraham Edwards, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. John Foster,* Deacon, residing near Dayton.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The Rev. William C. French, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. George D. Gillespie,* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. William Granville,* residing at Medina.

The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and Missionary.

The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector of Trinity Church, Jefferson, and St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, and Missionary.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. J. J. McElhinney, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphey, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's Church, Madison, and Missionary.

The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. G. B. PERRY, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. HENRY PAYNE,* Agent of the American Sunday School Union.

The Rev. ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of Christ Church, Franklin.

The Rev. HENRY P. POWERS.*

The Rev. WILLIAM PRESTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

The Rev. HENRY L. RICHARDS,* residing at Columbus.

The Rev. CHANDLER ROBBINS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.

The Rev. ALVAH SANFORD, Rector of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, and President of Kenyon College.

The Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.

The Rev. E. A. STRONG, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. JOHN SWAN, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR.*

The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON.*

The Rev. THOMAS P. TYLER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The Rev. HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.

The Rev. A. WHEELER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

The Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

TOTAL — 64.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention, the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair—shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 10, 1851.

This being the day constitutionally appointed for the assembling of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Clergy and Laity convened with the Bishop, pursuant to a resolution of the last Convention, at St. Paul's Church, in this city, at ten o'clock, A. M.

The Convention opened with the celebration of divine worship. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Lloyd Windsor, the Rev. Edward H. Cumming reading the Lessons. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. George S. Davis, from the 10th verse of the 1st chapter of the Epistle to the Galatians.

Divine service being concluded, the Bishop took his seat as President of the Convention, and called the House to order.

The Bishop requested the Secretary of the preceding Convention to call the names of Clergy entitled to seats in this Convention; which being done, the following were found to be present,* viz:

The Right Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D.,

Rev. E. Adams,	Rev. H. N. Bishop,
" B. Austin,	" A. Blake,
" N. Badger,	" J. Boyd,

* The List includes all who were present during any of the sessions of the Convention.

Rev. J. B. Britton,
" A. Bronson,
" S. A. Bronson, D.D.,
" J. T. Brooke, D.D.,
" J. L. Bryan,
" A. Clark,
" E. H. Cumming,
" G. S. Davis,
" G. Denison,
" T. B. Dooley,
" G. W. DuBois,
" T. B. Fairchild,
" C. W. Fitch,
" L. N. Freeman,
" W. C. French,
" R. Gray,
" J. Hall,
" L. L. Holden,
" H. Hollis,
Rev. A. T. McMurphey,
" S. Marks,
" J. Muenscher, D.D.,
" W. R. Nicholson,
" G. B. Perry, D.D. LL.D.
" A. Phelps,
" W. Preston,
" W. A. Smallwood,
" T. M. Smith, D. D.,
" C. B. Stout,
" E. A. Strong,
" G. B. Sturges,
" J. Swan,
" T. P. Tyler,
" H. B. Walbridge,
" L. Windsor,
" M. T. C. Wing, D.D.,
" E. Winthrop.
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The roll of Parishes entitled to representation was then called, and the credentials of their Lay Delegates laid on the Secretary's table.

The Convention then proceeded to the choice of a Secretary.

The Rev. William C. French, the former Secretary, having been nominated, and there being no other nomination, the balloting was dispensed with, and he was thereupon duly elected, *viva voce.*

The Chair appointed as a Committee on Credentials, Rev. Prof. Denison, Rev. A. Clark, and Mr. P. Benedict.

The Convention then took a recess till three o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled, and after prayers and the calling of the roll, proceeded to business.

Rev. Prof. Denison, Chairman of the Committee on the Credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the following gentlemen entitled to seats, as representatives of their respective Parishes:*

St. Paul's, Akron. F. Wolcott, P. Bennett, D. L. King.

Grace, Berkshire. J. Cooper,† N. Gregory,† D. Calhoun.

St. Stephen's, Canfield. S. C. Lockwood.

St. Paul's, Chillicothe. E. P. Kendrick, S. W. Ely, N. W. Thatcher.

Christ Church, Cincinnati. N. G. Pendleton, J. Hall,† B. Storer.†

St. Paul's, Cincinnati. G. Keck.

Trinity, Cincinnati. W. S. Drummond.

St. Philip's, Circleville. H. D. Lathrop.

Grace, Cleveland. D. E. Field, E. W. Palmer.

St. Paul's, Cleveland. J. Kellogg, H. L. Noble, E. T. Sterling.

Trinity, Cleveland. H. L. Smith, J. Shelby, A. Garrett.

St. Luke's, Columbia. R. Bastard,† J. Nichols, J. Squires.†

St. Paul's, Columbus. T. Sparrow, D. Case, J. F. Smith.†

Trinity, Columbus. J. W. Andrews,† S. W. Whitney, A. H. Pinney.†

St. James', Cross Creek. J. Detar, A. Underwood.

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls. J. Hanford, C. J. Comstock, G. Parks.

Christ Church, Dayton. W. Munger,† R. Lane, J. H. Kiersted.

St Peter's, Delaware. C. C. Chamberlain,† C. Howard, W. D. Hein

St. Andrew's, Elyria. R. Starr, W. Hoyle, Jr.†

St. Paul's, Euclid. R. Strong, J. P. Doan, J. Doan.

Christ Church, Franklin. E. Parsons, L. Stoddard, G. Crane.

* This list includes the names of all whose credentials were received during the progress of the Convention.

† Not present.

St. Peter's, Gallipolis. A. Vance,† F. Cushing.†

Harcourt, Gambier. J. S. Sawer, H. H. Morrell.

St. Stephen's, Grafton. G. Van Deusen, G. S. Pomeroy.

Christ Church, Hudson. H. O'Brien, N. Hinckston, T. McAnley.

Christ Church, Huron. D. Nicholas.

Trinity, Jefferson. M. Hubbard, A. Hawley.†

Trinity, Lyme. J. Clarke.

Grace, Mansfield. J. Harvey, H. B. Horton,† W. Stevens.†

St. Paul's, Marion. E. Baker, W. M. Roberts.†

St. Timothy's, Massillon. T. McCullough,† K. Jarvis, E. L. Focke.†

St. Paul's, Maumee City. F. L. Nichols.

St. Paul's, Medina. R. Thayer,† C. Chamberlain, F. D. Kimball.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon. E. Alling, C. Fuller, J. B. Thomas.

Trinity, Newark. W. Richards.

St. Mark's, Newton Falls. C. Fearns.

St. Paul's, Norwalk. P. Benedict, S. Patrick, O. Jenney.

St. John's, Ohio City. D. Griffith, W. B. Castle, S. W. Johnson.

St. James', Painesville. D. D. Aiken, A. Thompson.

Christ Church, Penfield. B. Andrews, L. Jones.†

St. James', Piqua. Wm. Scott.

St. Matthew's, Plymouth. J. Mann, B. Seymour, W. W. Mann.†

Grace, Pomeroy. T. Williams,† E. Saul.†

Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke co. W. Coles,† J. Ludlow,† J. A. Bean.†

St. Paul's, Steubenville. J. H. Veirs, G. Beatty, M. Andrews.†

St. Philip's, Strongsville. M. E. Stone,† B. Northrop, T. Clark.†

Trinity, Toledo. J. W. Brown,† H. Bennett,† C. J. Scott.†

Epiphany, Urbana. S. H. Robinson, W. F. Slater.

Christ Church, Warren. G. Parsons, C. D. Hollis.

St. James', Wooster. H. Lehman, E. Foreman, J. C. James.†

St. John's, Worthington. C. E. Burr, G. H. Griswold†.

St. James', Zanesville. J. Caldwell, J. T. Fracker,† W. R. Hazlett.

The Report was accepted, and the Secretary called the names as above, when those present answered and took their seats.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson stated on behalf of St. John's Church, Cincinnati, that there had been no meeting of his Vestry for the appointment of Delegates to this Convention, but that unexpectedly an individual was present, who would have been appointed, had it been known that he could attend; and thereupon moved, that Mr. T. G. Odiorne be received as a Delegate from that Parish. Objection being made on canonical grounds, the vote was taken, and the motion lost.

The Chair appointed the following committees:

Committee on Unfinished Business — Rev. Mr. Walbridge, and Mr. H. L. Noble.

Committee on Finance — Rev. Dr. Wing, Jas. Hall and Kent Jarvis.

Committee on Missions — Rev. Messrs. Smallwood and Fairchild, and Mr. .N W. Thatcher.

Committee on Canons — Rev. Drs. Brooke and Smith, and Messrs. Pendleton and Ely.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual

ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Ohio:

We are assembled together once more, under the gracious Providence of our Heavenly Father, to consult for the interests of his kingdom in that branch of his visible Church, with which we are connected. I bless God that he has preserved our lives and health, and granted us again this pleasure and privilege. I earnestly hope it may be so improved that we may all feel it to be spiritually profitable. It seems very humiliating and sorrowful, when a number of clergy and laity come together, as we are now assembled, expressly to take counsel concerning great spiritual interests, and there is no earnest desire to make the occasion distinctly contributive to the spiritual edification of each. How easy it is to lose time, to waste opportunities of doing and of getting good, and to be unspiritual in our minds in the midst of spiritual

things! It is a matter of great importance, brethren, that the time of our Conventions, besides being occupied in the faithful discharge of the business that more especially draws us together, should be a season of much prayer, of affectionate, spiritual conference, and of all that engagement of mind and heart, one with another, which, under the divine blessing, may be effectual in the rekindling of our zeal for the Gospel, in the revival of the spirit of our ministry, and in sending us all to our homes with increased desires to live for and glorify our blessed Lord. May such be the spirit of our present meeting. Let brotherly love prevail. Let us endeavor to come together, not only *the "two or three,"* but all, according to the condition of the promise—*in the Lord's name*, so that we may obtain the fulfilment of the promise in the *Lord's being in the midst of us*, to bless each of us with his grace, to guide our counsels, to hear our prayers, to sanctify to us and others, the several means of grace, and to bid us all, at the close, depart in peace, feeling it was good for us to be here. It is not often that we shall be allowed such opportunities before we shall be called to go hence and be no more seen; and it behooves us to get all the good we can for our own souls, and all the animation of heart we can in the discharge of the stewardship committed to us.

By the hand of death, we have lost one of the number of our clergy during the last year. The Rev. G. F. Richards, a young man, recently ordained a Deacon in Wisconsin, came to this diocese from that, in the summer of the last year, and became assistant minister of St. Peter's, Ashtabula. He had not been long enough among us to be personally known to many of his brethren, but in the parish where he labored, he had won the respect and affection of the people. He had just been united in marriage to a daughter of the venerable Rector of that parish, when a rapid illness, with but a brief warning, snatched him away from his ministry in this world to the account thereof in the next, and we trust from the trials and burdens of this vale of tears to the rest and joy eternal of the kingdom of heaven. His fond mother, who nursed him in his illness, followed him almost immediately in his death. The bereaved parish, and Rector, and wife, and relatives,

receive our affectionate sympathy in their affliction. But when God thus calls away from his ministry the youth who has just begun the work to which he was ordained, how solemnly does it say to all of us, and especially to those of us in the ministry who have had many years of stewardship, and cannot, in the ordinary course, have many more, "set thine house in order; prepare to meet thy God; let thy lamp be trimmed; give all diligence to fulfil thy calling as the messenger of Christ; that when he calleth for thee, all may be ready in thy heart and in thy work; in thy faith, and hope, and ministry, to meet him."

The same warning is heard from two other instances of affliction among our clergy. While you are in this city, you will often be reminded, as you pass one of its churches, of the bereavement of its congregation in the dangerous, and, I fear I must say, hopeless illness of their pastor. Our sick brother, the Rev. Mr. CARTER, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland, who is now lying in the city of New York extremely ill, was not long in charge of that new parish, before this illness came upon him; but quite long enough to show that his heart was in his work; that his energies were consecrated to it; and quite long enough to draw around him the warm affections of his people. He is taken from his Master's work at a very early age, but we are rejoiced to hear that he receives what he considers his Master's call to go away, with cheerful obedience of spirit, and is thankfully improving the protracted progress of his disease in a growing readiness to meet him in his kingdom.

In the other instance, we are painfully reminded of the very delicate and easily broken tenure by which we hold our faculties of mind as well as the strength of our bodies. You will readily understand me as referring to the affliction by which the church at Milan has been obliged to accept the resignation of its beloved and faithful Pastor. Deeply have they felt the painfulness of the dispensation. Seldom have I known a people more attached to their Minister. Let us bear our disabled brethren in our hearts before God, hoping it may yet please him to restore them both to health and the labors of his vineyard.

Since the last Convention, my official visitations have embraced the following parishes, viz: Grace Church, Mansfield; St. James', Wooster; St. Paul's, Medina; Christ Church, Penfield; St. Stephen's, Grafton; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Philip's, Strongsville; St. John's, Dover; St. Andrew's, Elyria; Grace, Pomeroy; St. Peter's, Gallipolis; All Saints', Portsmouth; Christ Church, Dayton; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. James', Kingston; St. John's, Lancaster; St. Philip's, Circleville; Church of the Epiphany, Urbana; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. John's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Springfield; St. Luke's, Granville; Trinity, Newark; St. Paul's, Cleveland; Grace, Cleveland; Christ Church, Franklin; Christ Church, Hudson; Bethel, Peninsula; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; St. Paul's, Akron; St. Timothy's, Massillon; Advent, Canton; St. Stephen's, Canfield; St. James', Boardman; Christ Church, Warren; Christ Church, Windsor; St. Paul's, Hartsgrove; St. Peter's, Rome; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. James', Piqua; Trinity, Troy; Grace, Sandusky City; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Christ Church, Huron; and St. Luke's, Milan. I had other visitations appointed, but a severe illness made it necessary that I should defer them.

The Confirmations have been—in Mansfield 3, Wooster 2, Medina 8, Penfield 1, Grafton 1, Columbia 2, Pomeroy 10, Gallipolis 9, Portsmouth 14, Dayton 4, Chillicothe 10, Kingston 5, Lancaster 1, Circleville 9, Urbana 2, St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 8; Christ Church, Cincinnati, 3; St. John's, Cincinnati, 10; Springfield, Clarke co., 12; Granville 13, Newark 3, Cleveland, St. Paul's, 29; Grace, Cleveland, 18; Trinity, Cleveland, 14; Hudson 11, Cuyahoga Falls 6, Akron 4, Massillon 16, Warren 14, Hartsgrove 5, Piqua 5, Troy 1, Huron 2, Sandusky City 4, Norwalk 3—262.

I have consecrated two new Churches, viz: the Church of the Epiphany at Urbana, a neat and appropriate edifice, which by the kind aid of brethren elsewhere, and the patient efforts of the Rector in obtaining it, the congregation has been enabled to build and to pay for. Also, All Saints' Church, Portsmouth, a truly handsome, spacious and architectural Gothic building, erected in place of a former which the

growth of the congregation under the divine blessing on the faithful ministry of their Pastor, had rendered much too small.

The candidates for orders are now eight, viz: George E. Thrall, C. S. Doolittle, Daniel Risser, Francis Granger, Joseph E. Ryan, J. E. Pattison, Mark Richard Jukes, and Benjamin K. Maltby.

There has been but one ordination in the last year, namely—that of Rev. Edward H. Cumming, admitted to the order of Presbyters.

There have left the Diocese by letter dimissory, the Rev. O. Taylor, removed to Michigan, the Rev. Wm. Miller to Indiana, the Rev. Alex. F. Dobb to Louisiana, the Rev. Joseph M. Waite to New York, the Rev. K. Johns Stewart to Rhode Island, the Rev. R. K. Nash to Connecticut, the Rev. Alvah Guion to Michigan, the Rev. D. W. Tolford to Virginia.

There have been added to the clergy of the Diocese by letters dimissory, the Rev. John Swan from Kentucky, who has taken charge of Trinity Church, Newark; the Rev. Thomas P. Tyler from W. N. York, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Columbus; the Rev. H. P. Powers from Indiana, who has been till recently Rector of St. Paul's, Fremont; the Rev. Albert Bingham from Wisconsin, who has become assistant minister of St. Peter's, Ashtabula; and the Rev. Henry Blackaller from Vermont, who has taken charge of Grace Church, Mansfield.

One new parish has been organized since the last convention, namely, St. Paul's, Bellevue.

The following are the changes of residence and connection on the part of the clergy within the Diocese. The Rev. Benj. Austin has resigned Grace Church, Mansfield, and taken charge of St. James', Painesville; the Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D., has resigned Christ Church, Cincinnati, and taken a professorship at Gambier; Rev. Anson Clark has resigned St. Timothy's, Massillon, and taken charge of St. Andrew's, Elyria; Rev. E. H. Cumming has taken charge of St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. G. D. Gillespie has resigned St. Paul's, Cincinnati; the Rev. Richard Gray has resigned St. James', Cross Creek, and taken charge of Trinity Church, Cincinnati; Rev. H. P. Powers has resigned

St. Paul's, Fremont; and the Rev. J. R. Taylor has resigned St. Luke's, Milan.

Under the provisions of Canon V. of the General Convention of 1850, I have displaced from the ministry of the church, the Rev. Albert Helfenstein and the Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, each having, according to said Canon, declared to me in writing his intention no more to officiate in the same.

I attended last month the Annual Commencement of Kenyon College. The exercises were highly creditable to the young men who graduated. It had been my intention, if Providence permitted, to attend all the examinations of the College and Theological Seminary; but the weakness consequent on severe illness prevented. It was sad to see so little attendance of the clergy of the Diocese at the Commencement, and to hear that the examiners and their classes had been left so much to themselves. The means of getting to Gambier, with little cost of time, from almost all parts of the Diocese, are now so easy, that I earnestly hope it will become a practice hereafter for the clergy and others to come together at the annual recurrence of the examination and commencement, and manifest the interest which is justly expected of them in our diocesan institutions of education. It would be a very desirable reunion of brethren, on other considerations than those connected with the interests of those institutions.

I am happy to say that the sale of lands under the direction of the Trustees, has been such as much to relieve the Board of pecuniary difficulty in regard to debt, while the vacancies in the departments of instruction have been filled in a manner calculated to inspire all confidence in regard to government and tuition. The gentleman who comes to us from Ireland, was chosen to the professorship of Latin and Greek, on account of the very high character received of him from the best sources, as well with regard to his attainments, and experience, and efficiency as an instructor, as to his personal and Christian merits.

An effort is now to be made to obtain an endowment for two professorships—one in the West, the other in the East. I trust you will

give all your co-operation to the assistance of those who shall be employed in obtaining the endowment to be sought in the West. Perhaps the contemplated effort may be a proper subject for the consideration of this body.

I addressed a pastoral letter recently to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, in regard to the deficiency in the contribution of means for the work of our Missionary and Education Committee. I trust it was not only read by each Rector to his congregation, but was followed by an effort in each parish to obtain assistance to that cause. What has been the result is yet to be seen. But I take occasion to remark that with regard to this and all other objects for which the Convention recommends and urges regular or occasional contributions from the parishes, I think there is something decidedly wrong among us. It seems to be too much the idea that because such acts of the Convention are no *laws*, imperative in their nature, therefore *in foro conscientiæ*, the minister is at liberty to regard them or not, as may be most convenient; so that while at almost every Convention the subject, for example, of our diocesan missions is brought up, and resolutions are introduced, which, if carried out, in their spirit at least, would materially improve our missionary strength, it remains as ever that a large number of our parishes make no effort at all in that behalf. How they can consent to it—how their pastors can tolerate it, even supposing their people to be averse to any effort, which probably is not the case, I cannot understand. I think a pastor ought to feel it a subject of mortification to him as a minister of God, when the report is made of contributions to missions among us, and nothing is reported as proceeding from his people. But independently of this, is there no obligation upon the clergy and congregations to comply with the solemn and urgent recommendations of the Convention in regard to such matters? Laws, binding under all circumstances, they are not. But laws they are to such extent that all should feel themselves bound to comply with them, except when a case of positive conscience or of *very special* and *decided* expediency stands in their

way. Mere convenience or preference have no right to be heard against them. Otherwise such action is a mere farce and the sooner it is discontinued the better. It should be our pride to move together in such matters. The will of the individual should be yielded to the mind of the whole brotherhood. That the Convention has recommended collections for such and such objects, should, except in such extraordinary circumstances as I have named, be sufficient reason with every pastor of a congregation, to make such collections, with all interest and to the best of his ability.

It will be recollected that at the late General Convention held in Cincinnati last October, a Canon was passed relative to the authority of a Bishop when on his visitation, as regards the administration of the Lord's Supper and other services. I have no other view in adverting to the action then taken by our highest ecclesiastical legislature, than to say that I do not wish any change in consequence of it, in the services heretofore usually connected with my visitations. When it shall seem to me desirable to connect the administration of the Lord's Supper with my visitation of any particular parish, I will notify the Minister and request the necessary preparation.

As it is my intention, if the Lord will, to address the brethren of the clergy, in an official charge, during the Convention, I will not at present detain your attention any longer.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to Missions and Education, was referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to attend Examinations at Gambier, was called on to report; and on their behalf, Rev. Mr. Winthrop made a verbal statement, in substance as follows:

In pursuance of the duty assigned me, I spent about ten days at Gambier, and attended, during the week preceding the commencement,

nearly all the examinations of Kenyon College and Theological Seminary, and some of those in the Preparatory Department. The examinations were conducted on the part of the Professors and other instructors in a very thorough and scholar-like manner, and the progress evinced by the students was very creditable, both to themselves and the Institution. EDWARD WINTHROP.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bronson, Mr. T. G. Odiorne, of St. John's Church, Cincinnati, was invited to take a seat as honorary member of this Convention.

Rev. Dr. Smith, President of Kenyon College, moved that a committee be appointed to attend examinations at Gambier the present year.

Carried, and the following gentlemen were appointed by nomination: Rev. Messrs. Winthrop, Muenscher, D.D., Smallwood and Bronson, D.D., and Messrs. S. N. Sanford, J. W. Andrews, S. W. Ely, N. G. Pendleton and C. P. Buckingham.

The Bishop gave notice that he should call upon the Clergy for their Parochial Reports, immediately after the opening of the Convention to-morrow morning.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the contemplated endowment of Professorships in Kenyon College, was referred to a committee of four, and the Chair appointed the following gentlemen said committee: Rev. Dr. Wing, Rev. Mr. Clark, Mr. N. G. Pendleton, and Mr. B. Northrop.

The election of Delegates to the next General Convention was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock, on Friday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Windsor asked leave to read the following Memorial from the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula. Granted.

At a meeting of the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, in the Diocese of Ohio, held on the 25th day of August, A. D. 1851, in their Parochial School House, the following Memorial was offered for consideration and unanimously adopted:

To the Convention of the Protestant
Episcopal Church in the said Diocese:

The Wardens and Vestrymen of the said Parish, respectfully acknowledge the receipt from your Secretary, of a summary statement of your proceedings of last year, in relation to it.

They concern alleged difficulties growing out of certain papers, or communications, emanating from Vestrymen and other members of the Parish, and which had been previously censured by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Convention.

It appears from said statement, that, in the opinion of the Convention, the silence of the Parish under the appeal of the Convention, by resolution, in 1849, in connection with the kind personal feelings of the Bishop towards its members evinced, warrants them to proceed immediately to some suitable act of discipline, provided for by Article 8d of the Constitution, but that they recommend the largest forbearance to be practiced, and that ample time be allowed the Vestry of said Parish, to rescind or repudiate by their official action, the obnoxious official acts of their predecessors.

A copy of these proceedings was ordered to be furnished to the Vestry of the Parish, who are thus formally called on by the Convention, to listen to its proposition, for a final and definite settlement of pending difficulties.

The Vestry have done so, and think they see their way clear in so adopting your advice as to avoid involving themselves or others in new difficulties, by injudicious attempts, however well meant, to remove old ones.

In our reformed branch of the Church, free discussion by the Clergy and Laity is not only tolerated, but in many cases commended both by persons in authority, and by others of conceded piety and learning in private life. We have seen in our own day minorities protesting against the acts of majorities, parishioners against those of their ministers, presbyters against those of their Bishops, and Bishops against the proceedings of their brother Bishops.

The design of such discussion, in allowable cases, is in expectation of an ultimate rather than immediate good; of final peace which may be healthy in place of a present sickly one; and always supposes subjects

involving principles of conceded importance, and parties who have a right to inquire in a proper manner, one of them into the conduct of the other.

In cases involving no important principle, concession, even among equals, is, as we understand it, recommended, and in most cases, toward superiors or those in authority, required.

The Convention have, as we apprehend it, judiciously offered a proposition which involves no other principles than such as last stated. It does not require us as individuals, or as a semi-judicial body, to inquire into the character of the acts of our predecessors, much less to pronounce an opinion or judgment upon them. Nor does it place us in a position in which our duty might demand examination of the authority of the Convention as a tribunal for the government or discipline of a Parish in its relations to its Rector or Bishop; or whether, in the exercise of its supposed judicial powers, an article of the Constitution is applicable to controversies closed before its adoption. Your proposition does not touch these questions.

A brief allusion to pertinent outlines of the acts of our predecessors, in connection with those of your body, may be necessary to show that the foregoing reflections are not impertinent—to prove they are applicable to the present case—and that in following your advice and direction, as we propose to do, we are not contributing, by our humble example, to sanction anything which has not been long tried and approved by the Church, or any way novel or questionable. All the proceedings, then, in which the members of the Vestry of this Parish have taken part, and which have met with censure from the Bishop or Convention, were closed before your meeting in 1848.

As early as 1846, the members of the then Vestry, alluding to the fact that the Bishop had addressed the members of the Parish, by way of complaint, on account of their acts, informed him of their readiness to have their conduct, as individuals, inquired into and corrected by himself or presbyter in charge.

Between the time of the Bishop's second address and the meeting of the Convention following, the members of the then Vestry, (alluding to the Bishop's expressed opinion that the members of the parish had, by construction, in electing certain persons for their Vestrymen, approved of their past conduct, and were liable to discipline, said persons having met with his displeasure,) proffered to him their testimony that said parishioners had elected said persons without reference to, or inquiry

into, their controversy with him. At the meeting of the Convention of that year, a lay delegate of the Parish avowed himself the writer of the paper signed by the Vestry and understood by the Bishop as charging him with untruth. He explained the matter thus objected to, to the entire satisfaction of the Bishop. [See the Bishop's letter to the editor of the *Church Times*, re-published in the *Western Episcopalian*, in the fall or winter following.] Said delegate also admitted that the use of the word "unofficial," in another paper objected to by the Bishop, was inaccurate.

After objecting to the authority of the Convention as a tribunal, &c., and declining to answer a question put by the Bishop before it, he said "at any other time and place he would answer his question."

The Convention, at this meeting, pronounced admonition on the Parish. They say, by resolution, its conduct meets with "the decided condemnation of this Convention."

A new article to the Constitution was then proposed for this especial case, as necessary fully to carry out the views of the Convention in its character as a tribunal for the discipline of a parish. It was amended and adopted the year following by your body, in its legislative capacity.

On the Easter Monday following the Bishop's second address and the Convention of that year, the members of the Parish present, by unanimous vote, elected an entire new board of Wardens and Vestrymen. This was done on suggestion of the Bishop, and from deference to his station, and out of respect to the legislative or judicial authority of the Convention, which, as understood, had sanctioned his course.

The Wardens and Vestrymen thus elected reported that fact to the Convention, assured them that whatever may be the inference of law, the constructive guilt or innocence of the congregation, still, as a matter of fact, neither the rector nor congregation had taken part in the proceedings objected to. They assure your body of their honest endeavors to conform to the canons and rubrics, submit to the order and discipline, and follow the worship of the Church, and that the Bishop had uniformly been treated by rector and people with all proper respect and attention.

And now the present Vestry, adding their testimony as to the truth of the above facts, and in conformity thereto, and being, as we understand it, impliedly, if not expressly authorized by your body, to speak for the members of the parish in their corporate character, or as a body

aggregate, and as to their constructive liability in this special case, do, as required, officially repudiate, for the Vestry and Congregation, all the acts of their predecessors in any way relating to said correspondence or controversy between them and the Bishop, especially such of their acts as in the opinion of the Convention are official and obnoxious, leaving the merits of the same entirely with the parties really or in fact concerned. We certify our earnest desire, in common, as we believe, with the members of the Congregation in general, that the visits of our Diocesan, for confirmation and other Episcopal duties, should be as often as circumstances, his labors in other portions of his field, his health and strength will permit. Striving to appreciate the benefits resulting from the exercise of the christian ministry in all its grades, and those intended by the incidental but useful ecclesiastical institutions, of diocesan as well as provincial or general Conventions of the Clergy and Laity, our purpose as a people, unanimously as we believe, is, according to our humble ability, to sustain them all in the full and rightful discharge of duty.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN HALL, Rector, and Chairman of the meeting.

ALBERT A. STRONG, Secretary.

On motion, the Memorial was received, and referred to a committee of three clergymen and two laymen. The Chair appointed the following said committee: Rev. Mr. Windsor, Rev. Drs. Brooke and Bronson, and Messrs. D. Patrick and D. D. Aiken.

The Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 11, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after prayers, the minutes of yesterday's proceed-

ings were read and approved. The Parochial Reports were called for, and laid on the table.

The Committee on Examinations presented the credentials of additional Lay Delegates, whose names were called, (and are included in the Report, page 11.)

The same Committee also reported that they had examined the papers relative to the organization of the Parish of St. Paul's Church, Bellevue, and finding them correct, recommended that said Parish be admitted into union with this Convention; and on motion, it was so admitted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following Report, which was accepted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that on page 25 of the Journal of the last Convention, the following was proposed to be added to Canon XVI. as the 2d section thereof:

"SEC. 2. Any communicant who shall be represented to the Rector of his Parish by the Vestry thereof, or any five respectable communicants thereof, as, by his business, or habitual conversation, or general deportment, or heretical opinions, giving offence to the congregation, according to the rubric, may be repelled from the Lord's table, unless an equal number of fellow communicants shall give their written testimony in favor of his being retained in communion."

Which, on being referred to the Committee on Canons, said committee reported, and their report was duly adopted by the Convention, that in consideration of the importance of the subject, they deemed it inexpedient to act upon it at that time, and therefore recommended that it be spread upon the Journal, to be taken up and disposed of at this Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. B. WALBRIDGE,
H. L. NOBLE, } Committee.

It was moved that the Parochial Reports be now read. Lost.

Rev. Dr. Wing, on behalf of the Committee on the Endowment of Professorships in Kenyon College, offered the following Report and Resolution:

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the effort to endow in the West one or more Professorships in Kenyon College, on the plan proposed by the Trustees, have had the subject under consideration, and beg leave to report as follows:—The plan proposed embraces the following features:

"1. The issue and sale of scholarship script, in four several classes or denominations, of the value, respectively, of $36, $60, $110, and $200, payable in tuition, in Kenyon College, as follows:

"2. The first class, or *Half Scholarships*, of the value of $36, shall entitle the holder to two years' tuition. The 2d class, or *Full Scholarships*, of the value of $60, shall entitle the holder to four years' tuition. The 3d class, or *Double Scholarships*, of the value of $110, shall entitle the holder to eight years' tuition of one student, or to four years', of two of the same family. The 4th class, or *Perpetual Scholarships*, of the value of $200, shall entitle the holder to double the tuition of No. 3, or to the tuition of one student forever.

"3. Subscriptions for the purchase of scholarship script, shall be payable on demand, and no script shall be issued to subscribers, until payment is made in full; provided that in the 3d and 4th classes the subscriptions may be paid in three or five annual instalments, the deferred payments being secured by note, and bearing interest at 6 per cent. per annum.

"4. The net collections on this plan, when they amount to the sum of $10,000 or upwards, shall be invested as the foundation of one or more professorships in Kenyon College; provided no subscriptions shall be collected until the sum of $10,000 shall have been subscribed."

Your committee believe the foregoing plan to be a feasible one, and the object of it within the ability of the friends of Kenyon College, in this Diocese. The prominent advantages are briefly these: the reduction of the cost of tuition nearly one-half; the extending thereby of the advantages of education to a greater number; the increased patronage of the College, and at the same time, by the permanent endowment of one or more Professorships, making it less dependent upon the tuition fees of students for its income.

The Committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention heartily approve of the object contemplated in the plan proposed by the Trustees of Kenyon College, and earnestly commend it to the countenance and support of the clergy and laity of this Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. C. WING,
A. CLARK,
N. G. PENDLETON,
B. NORTHROP,
} Committee.

On the motion to accept said Report, and adopt the accompanying Resolution, an animated and interesting discussion arose, in the midst of which, the hour having arrived for divine service,

The Convention adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

THURSDAY, Sept. 11, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met, and after prayers, resumed the discussion of the Report of the Committee on Endowment of Professorships in Kenyon College, and after still further discussion, the report was accepted and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Secretary, by request, read the 1st Annual Report of "The Charles D. Betts Library Fund," which was accepted, as follows:

According to a provision of the Charles D. Betts Library Fund of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, requiring that a statement be made annually to the Convention of the Diocese, of the state of the Fund and the apportionment of its income, the Faculty of said Seminary hereby report to the said Convention as follows:

The fund, consisting of $1000, is invested in bond and mortgage, with ample security of real estate in Cincinnati, at ten per cent. interest, payable semi-annually, to wit, on the last day of February and the 30th day of August.

The second semi-annual payment of interest has recently been received.

The fund has received in interest - - - -	$100 00
Premium of exchange on $1000 - - - -	6 50
	$106 50

The fund has paid—

For recording bond and mortgage - - -	$ 0 50
" blank book for records - - - -	0 40
" Hoffman on Canon Law - - - -	2 00

For	Bishop McIlvaine's Oxford Divinity, used as a text book	4 50
"	Woods' Divinity, 5 vols.	10 00
"	McCosh on the Divine Government	2 00
"	Blunt's Coincidences of Scripture	2 00
"	Rodigers' Gesenius' Heb. Grammar	3 00
"	Robinson's Heb. Lexicon	6 00
"	Alexander on the Psalms, 3 vols.	3 75
"	22 volumes of the Parker Society Series of the writings of the English Reformers	37 13
"	Transportation of books	1 50
"	Postage	0 08
		$71 86

Amount received	$106 50
" paid out	71 86
Balance in hand	$34 74

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
President of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

The Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was called up. The Rev. Dr. Brooke moved the indefinite postponement of the proposed Section 2 of Canon XVI; pending the discussion of which,

The Convention adjourned to nine o'clock, on Friday morning.

NOTE — On the evening of this day the Bishop delivered his Triennial Charge to the Clergy of the Diocese.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 12, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention again assembled, and united with the Bishop in devotional exercises. The roll was called, and yesterday's minutes read and approved.

On motion, the order of the day was suspended, in

order to allow the Treasurer to make a statement, relative to the business of his office.

On motion, the order of the day was again suspended, in order to allow the Rev. Dr Brooke to present the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That 600 copies of the Charge of the Bishop be printed for the use of the Diocese; and that the Bishop be respectfully requested to make such an arrangement with any publisher, as he may deem expedient for the sale and circulation of as many additional copies of the Charge as the Church and the public may demand.

Resumed the order of the day. Rev. Dr. Brooke withdrew his motion for indefinite postponement of the proposed addition to Canon XVI., in order to make way for amendments.

Rev. W. A. Smallwood then moved the following resolution with reference thereto:

Resolved, that the whole subject be referred to a committee of two clergymen and three laymen, who shall be directed to prepare such additions to Canon XVI. as shall seem to be necessary, in order to complete a system of lay discipline, and to report at the next Convention.

During the discussion of this resolution, the hour for divine service having arrived,

The Convention adjourned till two o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, Sept. 12, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled, as above. The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day, being the resolution of Rev. Mr. Smallwood on

the subject of the proposed addition to the Canon on Lay Discipline. After further discussion it was adopted, and the Chair, at the request of several members, appointed the Committee under said resolution, viz. Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Rev. Dr. Bronson, and Messrs. N. G. Pendleton, Jas. Hall and Kent Jarvis.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Fitch, it was *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the Secretary, for his exertions in obtaining a reduction of fare on the C. C. & C. R. R. for members of this Convention, and that he be requested to express the thanks of this Convention to that Company for this favor, and also to other Companies which have extended similar favor.

S. W. Ely proposed the following as a prefix to Canon X. which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

"In order that no congregation shall be without the church service, unless in exigencies unavoidable, the Bishop shall appoint one or more Lay Readers, from persons recommended for that office by the Rector or Wardens of each Parish, but" none, &c.

Rev. Mr. Cumming offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Vestries of Parishes in which pews are held by purchase, or in which the pews are annually rented, be requested to give notice to pew-holders and pew-renters, of that section (Sec. 2,) in Canon XV. which assesses a tax of one dollar per annum upon each pew-holder not a communicant, to be appropriated towards the support of the Episcopate.

The order of the day being the election of Delegates to the next General Convention, on motion, said election was indefinitely postponed.

At this stage of the proceedings, the Bishop announced to the Convention that he had received a telegraphic dispatch, requiring his presence at the bed-side of a dying brother, and requested the Rev. C. W. Fitch to take the Chair.

Rev. Mr. Fitch in the Chair.

Leave of absence was granted to several Clergy and Lay Delegates.

Rev. Dr. Perry offered the following preamble and resolutions with reference to the Church Institutions at Gambier, which were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS it seems to this Convention both just and expedient that it should do *all it can* for the permanent and efficient promotion and well-being of the only Educational Institution of the Diocese—Kenyon College; therefore,

Resolved, That we deeply feel, and sincerely deplore the spirit of apathy that has evidently rested upon the minds of too many to whom the Institution has a right to look for warm approval and vigorous aid.

Resolved, That under its present regimen, we believe that our educational wants, as a denomination, can be fully met, and our just wishes consummated.

Resolved, That the Clergy of this Diocese do renewedly pledge themselves to each other, and to the authorities of Kenyon College, that, under the blessing of Heaven, and with the counsel of their respected Diocesan, they will make all laudable exertions for the accomplishment of the end herein proposed.

Resolved, That the hearty co-operation of every layman, especially those whose ample pecuniary means and adventageous position in society evidently give them peculiar ability, is respectfully solicited.

The same gentleman also offered the following preamble and resolution with reference to a kindred subject, which were likewise adopted:

WHEREAS an association has been duly formed, with corporate powers from the State Legislature, for the purpose of erecting and conduct-

ing a house of entertainment at Gambier, to be located in the vicinity of Kenyon College, for the better accommodation of visitors, especially strangers; and whereas the necessity of such an establishment has long been seriously felt; and whereas we have perfect confidence in the persons composing said association; therefore,

Resolved, That the measure meets the approbation of this Convention; and it is hereby commended to the notice of the friends of Kenyon every where, but especially in this Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Windsor presented and read the report of the committee on the Ashtabula memorial, which was accepted, and the accompanying resolutions unanimously adopted:

Your committee, to whom the memorial of the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula, was referred, beg leave respectfully to report the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:—

Resolved, That this Convention, without expressing any opinion as to the several matters contained in the memorial of the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, do accept of the official action of said Parish, viz., that they do "repudiate for the congregation all acts of their predecessors in any way relating to said correspondence or controversy between them and the Bishop, especially such of their acts as in the opinion of this Convention are official and obnoxious."

Resolved, further, That this Convention cannot refrain from expressing their great gratification that this subject has been thus pacifically and amicably brought to a final settlement, whereby the Parish is restored to its former position in the Diocese.

LLOYD WINDSOR, Chairman of Committee.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to communicate to the Rector and Vestry of St. Peter's, Ashtabula, said action of this Convention.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson presented the following report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was accepted, and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions:

The Missionary and Education Committee report to the Convention, that during the past year they have made appropriations to thirteen missionaries and eight beneficiaries, amounting in all to $2,172 50. Of this sum, $200 came from Christ Church, Cincinnati, as a special appropriation to the missionary in charge of Trinity Parish, Cincinnati; and $75 from Zanesville, as a special appropriation for the support of a designated beneficiary: these special sums having been simply passed through the hands of the committee.

It will be seen, by the Treasurer's report, that he has paid out $699 56 on arrearages of the previous year; in consequence of which the committee's present indebtedness to both clergy and beneficiaries, is about $562 66. This, it is true, is a little more than $100 less than the amount in arrears as reported to the last Convention; nevertheless it leaves upon the committee a burden which must surely difficult them in respect to the operations of the ensuing year.

Of the number of parishes in union with this Convention, *thirty* have failed to place in the hands of the Treasurer a single cent for Diocesan Missions, viz. St. Peter's, Ashtabula; St. Stephen's, Canfield; Advent, Canton; St. David's, Centreville; St. Paul's, Cleveland; Trinity, Cleveland; St. Paul's, Columbus; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Alban's, Deersville; St. John's, Dover; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. Paul's, Fremont; St. Peter's, Gallipolis; St. Stephen's, Grafton; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. Matthew's, Hamilton; St. Paul's, Hartsgrove; Trinity Church, Jefferson; St. John's, Lancaster; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. Paul's, Maumee City; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; Christ Church, Penfield; Bethel Church, Peninsula; St. Peter's, Rome; Immanuel, Roscoe; St. John's, Springfield, (Jefferson County); St. Thomas', St. Clairsville; Trinity Church, Troy; Christ Church, Windsor.

In looking over these delinquent parishes, the committee are led to believe that a large portion of them will probably do nothing to materially lessen their indebtedness; and they urgently recommend to the Convention to take such measures (if such can be conceived) as shall make good the present obligations to both clergy and beneficiaries, and thus wipe off debts which must now blot our journal, as disreputable to the Diocese as they are embarrassing to the committee.

Your committee feel constrained to express their painful belief that any resolutions which may pass the Convention at its present sitting, will but meet the fate of their predecessors; and that so long as the professed followers of Christ shall attain to no truer realization of their

irreversible connection with the great work of spreading the gospel, all our measures will prove only cobwebs before the breeze.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

Rev. Mr. Blake, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, presented his annual Report, which was accepted, and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions. [See Appendix D.]

Mr. N. G. Pendleton, of Cincinnati, was appointed to audit the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, that officer having suddenly been called home, before his Report was completed.

It was *Resolved*, That the next Convention be held at St. Paul's, Chillicothe.

The Convention went into the election of Committees for the ensuing year. Balloting in each case was dispensed with, and the following gentlemen, having been nominated, were unanimously elected:

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. W. R. Nicholson,	N G. Pendleton,
Rev. R. Gray,	W K. Bond,
Rev. A. Blake,	D K. Cady.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. A. Blake,	S. S. Rowe,
Rev. R. Gray,	B. Storer,
Rev. W. R. Nicholson,	T. G. Odiorne,
Rev. J. B. Britton,	S P Bishop

On motion, the Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 13, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled, and united in devotional exercises.

Rev. C. W. Fitch in the chair.

The Bishop still continuing absent, the Convention, in accordance with article VI. of the Constitution, went into the election of a President, from among the Presbyters. On motion of the Rev. Edward Winthrop, balloting was dispensed with, and the Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, having been nominated, and the nomination being put to the house by the Secretary, was declared duly and unanimously elected, and took his seat accordingly.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

On motion of the Secretary, he was authorized to have 750 copies of the Journal of this Convention published.

On motion of the Rev. E. Winthrop, *Resolved, unanimously*, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregations of the several Episcopal Churches, and to the citizens of Cleveland, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention, at its present session.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood, on behalf of the Missionary and Education Committee, offered, as a part of the Report of that Committee, a series of resolutions, which, after a long debate, being amended, and the

amendments accepted by the Committee, were adopted as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of each baptized person in the church to contribute towards the support and extension of Diocesan Missions and Education.

2. *Resolved*, That the Rectors and Ministers of the Parishes of this Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested, within a reasonable time after adjournment, in person or by others, to call upon all the members of their congregations to contribute statedly, according to their ability, to this object.

3. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to introduce the plan of weekly contributions to Diocesan Missions, according to the Scriptural requirement.

4. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be required to notify immediately, through the Western Episcopalian, the Rectors of Parishes, of the duty imposed by the second of these resolutions.

Several members asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The hour of divine service having arrived, the Convention took the usual recess.

SATURDAY, Sept. 13, 2 P. M.

Convention assembled. Calling of the roll dispensed with.

Rev. Mr. French read, by request, the Report of the Finance Committee on the Assessments of the Parishes, which was accepted, and the scale of assessments therein recommended was adopted. [See Appendix C.]

Rev. Mr. French offered the following resolution, as a supplement to the above named Report:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to bring forward the arrearages due the Bishop, in his current account from year to year, but

to state the amount of arrearages, and when such arrearages accrued, and add the interest thereon.

Adopted.

Rev. Mr. Fairchild read the Report of the Standing Committee on Missions, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Diocesan Missions and the Education of Candidates for Orders, respectfully report, that they have had under consideration the general subject, together with the statements in the Bishop's Annual Address, and the Report of the Committee on Missions, and deeply lament to perceive that there is still a large debt due Missionaries laboring under the authority of the church in this Diocese. Many appeals for the removal of this debt have been made during several years past, and yet it has been very slightly diminished. The individuals on whom this deficiency operates, are little able to sustain the burden it imposes. The stipend promised is certainly merely sufficient to meet their wants. It is, therefore, both unjust and cruel to withhold any part of it. The people should consider this, and if each of them would do what he readily may, there would be no delinquency in the payment of the salaries.

But more than this should be done. The number of Missionaries should be much increased. Instead of the present number, there should be double as many—not less than twenty or twenty-five. And when we consider the wealth of the members of our communion in this Diocese, it must be clear that they have ample ability to enlarge very greatly their contributions for missions and education. But the matter must be brought home to the people. And this can only be done through the ministers of the churches. They alone can effectually awaken the attention of the laity to the importance of the subject, and draw forth their contributions. The Committee, therefore, would make an earnest appeal to the Ministers of the Parishes to make immediate and strenuous efforts for the enlargement of the funds devoted to Missions and Education.

The plan for the accomplishment of this object must be left very much to each minister and his people. They can pursue such course as may seem to them most feasible. Still it may be useful to suggest a specific course for adoption by those who may approve it. And the

Committee would strongly recommend the mode of weekly contributions, which is mentioned in the New Testament, and has been extensively introduced in various parts of the church of late years.

[For the Resolutions appended to this Report, see page 37.]

W. A. SMALLWOOD, Chairman.

Adopted.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood, it was *Resolved*, That a new Committee on Assessments be appointed, to take the matter into consideration during the recess of the Convention, and ascertain as nearly as may be the comparative ability of the Parishes, and report to the next Convention.

The following individuals were nominated and appointed said committee: Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Rev. Dr. Wing, and Mr. H. L. Noble.

William Wood, M. D., of Cincinnati, was duly and unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Diocese, *viva voce*, the ballot being dispensed with.

There being no further business before the Convention, it was *Resolved*, That the reading of the Journal of previous days' sessions be dispensed with.

The minutes of this day's proceedings were then read, amended and approved.

After the singing of a hymn, and appropriate prayers, with the Apostolic benediction, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,
President pro tem.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

POSTSCRIPT.

The following individuals, not members of the Convention, being present during a part or the whole of its sittings, were admitted, under the XVIth Rule of Order, to seats as honorary members:

Clergymen of this Diocese, not entitled to seats, by Art. IV. of the Constitution.—Rev. ALBERT BINGHAM, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's, Ashtabula; Rev. HENRY BLACKALLER, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield; Rev. HENRY P. POWERS, and Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON.

Clergymen not of this Diocese.—Rev. CHARLES AREY, of the Diocese of Western New York; Rev. JAMES B. GOODWIN, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; Rev. ALVAH GUION, of the Diocese of Michigan; and Rev. J. C. TRACY, of the Diocese of Maryland.

Candidates for Holy Orders present.—C. S. DOOLITTLE, FRANCIS GRANGER, DANIEL RISSER, and MARK RICHARD JUKES.

The following clergymen of this Diocese were not present at the Convention: Rev. Messrs. Brayton, Burr, Burton, Carter, Colton, Foster, Gillespie, Granville, McElhinney, Morse, Payne, Richards, Robbins, Sanford, Taylor, and Wheeler—16.

The following Parishes failed to send Lay Delegates to represent them in the Convention:—Ashtabula, Bellevue, Boardman, Canton, Centreville, St. John's Cincinnati, Columbia, Deersville, Dover, Dresden, East Liverpool, Fremont, Gallipolis, Granville, Greenville, Hamilton, Hartsgrove, Kingston, Lancaster, Madison, Marietta, Milan, Mill Creek, Peninsula, Perry, Pomeroy, Portsmouth, Rome, Roscoe, Sandusky City, Springfield, Clarke co., Springfield, Jefferson co., St. Clairsville, Toledo, Troy, Unionville, Wakeman, and Windsor—38.

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NAME OF PARISH.	MINISTER.	CL
St. Paul's, Akron	E. H. Cumming	G. W. M
St. Peter's, Ashtabula	J. Hall & A. Bingham	.....
St. Paul's, Bellevue†	Vacant	T. G. A
Grace, Berkshire	W. C. French	D. G. S
St. James', Boardman*	Vacant	.....
St. Stephen's, Canfield	Vacant	S. C. L
Advent, Canton*†	Vacant	W. H. I
St. David's, Centreville	A. Edwards	.....
St. Paul's, Chillicothe	L. N. Freeman	J. S. Sw
Christ, Cincinnati	A. Blake	N. G. P
St. John's, Cincinnati	W. R. Nicholson	T. G. C
St. Paul's, Cincinnati	Vacant	C. J. R
Trinity, Cincinnati	R. Gray	W. S. I
St. Philip's, Circleville	H. N. Bishop	J. C. Jo
Grace, Cleveland	T. J. Carter	A. Smi
St. Paul's, Cleveland	G. B. Perry	J. Kell
Trinity, Cleveland	L. Windsor	A. Butt
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APPENDIX.

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS—REMARKS.*

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Vestry have made, during the past year, a very praiseworthy effort to free the Church from debt. In this they have so nearly succeeded, that there remains only about $200 to be provided for. The members of the Parish are exerting themselves to provide the Parish with a Parsonage, which will, I doubt not, be effected.

EDWARD H. CUMMING, *Minister.*

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

Due attention is paid to catechising all the children in the church, at the Parochial School, and at their homes and schools, by the Rector and Assistant. The stated collections are two semi-annual ones for Episcopal and Contingent Funds, at offertory and by pastoral application, in March and August; two semi-annual ones at offertory, on Christmas and the first Sunday in June, for Missions; weekly collections at communion, and supplementary contributions for alms and ministerial support.

JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

ALBERT BINGHAM, *Deacon,*
Assistant Minister.

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*It was not thought necessary to repeat here such statistics as are detailed in the printed Abstract, since it was desirable to reduce as much as possible the size and expense of the Journal. For the same reason, the Constitution and Canons are omitted, as there were no changes made in either at the last Convention.—[Secretary.

Grace Church, Berkshire.

The undersigned has had temporary charge of this Parish, in connection with his own, since the second Sunday in May. It is a most interesting field of labor, as it is entirely unoccupied by the services of other denominations of Christians—in the midst of one of the richest agricultural districts of the State; and there can be no doubt that if a faithful, self-denying *Pastor* could be settled here as a Missionary, and live in the midst of his flock, they would soon be able to raise his entire support independent of any other Parish. Cannot such a man be found?

W. C. FRENCH, *Minister in Charge.*

St. David's Church, Centreville.

I am much encouraged in the missionary work, more so this year than the preceding ones; for the Lord is manifesting himself among us, pouring his Spirit on the congregation, so that sinners are crying out "What must we do to be saved?"

ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $80; Contingent fund, $12; Diocesan Missions and Education, $100; Domestic Missions, $11,50; Foreign Missions, $11,50; Communion Alms, $84,95; S. School Library, $50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $15; To the liquidation of the debt of Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, $50; Towards the erection of an Episcopal Church, Warsaw, Illinois, $28; To St. Philip's Church, Circleville, for an Organ, $10; American Bible Society to constitute the Rector and his Lady Life Members, $60; Improvements made by the Ladies of the Parish on the inside of the Church and in the erection of an iron railing up its front steps, by money raised by a fair, or otherwise, $440—Total, $950,95.

To these statistics of the Parish, which show its financial prosperity, the Rector would add that he considers its spiritual condition to be encouraging. Its members are united, as he thinks, in the bonds of Christian love, and show much kindness and attention to him who is over them in the Lord.

The Parish is in a flourishing state.

L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $250; Contingent Fund, $50; Diocesan Missions and Education, $407,71; Foreign Missions, $93,18;

Widows' and Orphans' Society, $25; S. S. Library, $74; Colonization, 123,26; Communion alms, devoted to the poor, $353,62; To country Churches and other religious purposes, $449,12; Ladies' Benevolent Society for City Missions, $500—Total, $2,325.89.

A. BLAKE, *Minister*

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Stated collections are taken up twice every Sunday to defray the current expenses of the Parish.

Offerings at Communion, $155,07.

The following sums also have been raised and appropriated: For the Episcopate, $70; For Contingent Fund, $10; For Diocesan Missions and Education, $29; For Widows' and Orphans' Society, $50—Total contributions of Parish during the year, exclusive of stated collections, $314,07.

The Rector earnestly hopes that, to the next Convention, he may have the pleasure of reporting the entire completion of the noble edifice, in whose erection the Parish has been engaged for the two years last past.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The monthly collections have been appropriated as follows: The Sunday School of the Parish, $30,51; Assessment for the Contingent Fund, $33,61; Diocesan Missions and Education, $93,37; Domestic Missions, $75,80; Foreign Missions, $32,38; Young Men's Bible Society of Cincinnati, $28,71; Exchange, 62c.—$295.

The following sums have also been collected: Income of the offertory, $235,28; For the Episcopate Fund to pay assessment, $149; For a Church at Fort Smith, Arkansas, $66; From a little girl, proceeds of her work to buy a Library for a Sunday School, $10; In the Sunday School for Domestic and Foreign Missions, $32,44; For a Church at Freeport, Illinois, $16—$508,72—Total, $803,72.

From the Communion collections $29,44 has been appropriated to the Relief Union of Cincinnati; and $31,03 to the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen.

During the year there has been realized by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, $160.

The decrease in the number of Communicants since the last Report is owing in part to a very careful revision of the list.

Within the last two years, by the relinquishment of claims and other contributions, nearly all the debt of the Church, amounting to over $2,000, has been discharged.

The Rector has held one service at Hamilton, one at Cleves, and two at Walnut Hills.

After an incumbency of six years and a half, the undersigned termi-

nated his services in this Parish on Sunday, July 13th, 1851. In closing his connection he desires to make grateful mention of the kindnesses of members of the congregation; to express his deep interest in the Parish; and his hope that a more commodious edifice in a better situation, may ultimately secure greater prosperity than can be looked for under present circumstances.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE, *late Rector.*

Since removing from Cincinnati, the undersigned has officiated on one Sunday in St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, and St. John's Church, Ohio City; on one Sunday in Zion Church, Palmyra, N. Y.; on five Sundays in Zion Church, Avon, A. M., and St. George's, Mumford, P. M. On one Sunday he has been prevented from discharging duty by sickness.

He has attended 1 funeral, solemnized 1 marriage, baptized 1 infant, and catechised the children on several occasions.

G. D. GILLESPIE.

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent Fund, 8; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, $62,50; Foreign Miss. Com. $11,50; American Bible Society, $12,75; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $8; For a Church in Minnesota, $5; Furnishing Church with Prayer Books, $13,37½; For the poor and other Parish objects, $36,50; Repairs on the Church and Lot, $125; Purchase of an Organ, $300—Total $617,62½.

The prospects of this Parish are, upon the whole, encouraging.

My missionary services have been as follows: Have officiated 20 times at Kingston, where there is an interesting but weak Parish. In this Parish 5 were confirmed at the visitation of the Bishop. There has also been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated: For the Episcopate, $5; Contingent Fund, $1; Furnishing Chapel with Prayer Books, $3; Lamps for the pulpit, $3; For my own support, $18—Total, $30.

This Parish, also, has contributed something for Diocesan Missions and Education, as will appear from Rev. Mr. Freeman's report.

I have also officiated upon week days at Lancaster 9 times, and administered the communion twice. Lancaster is an interesting field for a man of missionary spirit. May the Lord of the harvest send them a faithful laborer.

I have also officiated 10 times for a congregation of colored people in town, and have had services and preaching in the surrounding country from 4 to 6 miles from town about 40 times. The congregations in the country are always large and attentive. May the good seed sown spring up and produce abundant fruit. H. N. BISHOP, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Since the meeting of the last Convention, the Rector has been prevented, by ill-health, from attending to his duties, as he would have desired. During the winter, with the assistance of the Rev. Lansen Carter, he was enabled to continue the services of the Church, until compelled by extreme ill-health, entirely to discontinue his duties. The affairs of the Parish were progressing in harmony and successfully, and the illness of the Rector will explain the meagerness of the report compared with last year.

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

The Sunday School is now in vigorous operation, after being somewhat disturbed by its suspension, before the room it occupies was completed. The Sunday School Library contains over 500 volumes.

It should be borne in mind that this Parish is continually contributing large sums to meet its own demands. Being a young Parish, it has much of this sort to do, and will have for some time to come. Notwithstanding it has contributed very liberally to the various applicants from abroad; but exactly what amount the Rector is not informed.

Through the goodness of God, the congregation is now occupying its new edifice. The state of the Parish is highly progressive. The church seems to be extending through community a happy influence, and deepening her hold upon the public heart; for all of which "we thank God and take courage."

G. B. PERRY, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

Catechising is usually performed by the Rector on Communion Sundays in every month. The Rector has, during the past year, superintended the Sunday School in person. He has also, on Sunday afternoons, instructed a Bible class in the church. The number of the class was large, ranging from 40 to 60 persons.

He has also given a course of public lectures on the errors of Romanism, showing wherein our church differed and solemnly protested against those errors. The Decrees and Canons (doctrinal) of the Council of Trent on the one hand, and our Prayer Book and Book of Homilies on the other, were the authorities constantly quoted and referred to. The following sums of money have been collected and disbursed in this Parish: For the Episcopate and Contingent Funds, $92; To Missionary at Vincennes, $12 50; To a Parish in Wisconsin, through the hands of Mrs. J. P. Kirtland, $26; To the Parish at Warsaw, Ill., $26; For S. S. Books of the Parish, $40; Rev. Mr. Bentley collected, for building a church in Freeport, Ill., about $20; For repairs, &c., $50—Total, $265 50.

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The stated collections are made at missionary meetings, held monthly, the amount of which, $16 83, is appropriated, by the Bishop's direction, to the support of this Parish. The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $25 50; On occasion of the Jubilee, for the Mission at St. Paul's, Minnesota, $5—Total, $30 50.

The number of families, communicants, scholars and teachers in the Sunday School, remains about the same as at the last report. During my temporary charge of the Parish, which commenced with the season of Lent, and which, from circumstances beyond the control of the Vestry or myself, will soon terminate, to our mutual regret, there has been every appearance of life and prosperity. There seems no reason whatever to doubt but that with God's blessing upon ordinarily judicious management, the Parish is certain of a healthy growth and permanently established strength. From the knowledge I have acquired of its situation and prospects, I have no hesitation in commending it to any clergyman as a pleasant and promising field of labor.

THOS. P. TYLER.

Trinity Church, Columbus.

On my return to this Parish one year since, I found the congregation generally dispersed in consequence of the prevalence of Cholera. During the two seasons of '49 and '50, it had lost some of its most valuable members. It had suffered much also from vacancies in the rectorship. One vacancy had lasted a year and another six months. Upon the whole, I regard the Parish as feebler, both in strength and numbers, than when I left it ten years since. I hope the Divine blessing will yet enable us to make some progress both in temporal and spiritual prosperity.

Children catechised several times in S. School. There have been contributed in this Parish, during the year, for the Episcopate and Contingent Fund, $115; For Diocesan Missions, $80; Foreign Missions, $61 25; to assist other new and feeble Parishes, $53; other benevolent purposes, $169—Total, $478 25.

WM. PRESTON, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Collections for the Episcopate, $25; Do. in advance, $5; Contingent Fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $59; Foreign Missions, $8; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6; General Domestic Missions, $5; American Bible Society, $8; Sunday School Books, $3; Church Expenses, $1 45; Rev. Mr. Phelps, Franklin, $4; Building Parsonage, &c., $359 35—Total, $479 80.

The Rector would here add, that the Parish have now completed a Parsonage and necessary outbuildings, at a cost of something over

$1150, and are free from debt. For this purpose the ladies have been laboring for several years, and had on hand when the work was commenced last fall, over $350; From other sources, over $400 had been realized; and, as reported above, $359 35 has been raised the past year, viz: From Ladies' Fair, $110 85; Individual subscriptions, $231; Ladies' Mite Society, $15 50; Other sources, $2—Total $359 35. This, with contributions for Missions, Bishop's salary, &c. &c., making $489 50. To meet all these expenses, with the Rector's salary, has required a good degree of self-sacrifice on the part of the ladies and other members of the Parish. But we may hope it has been done cheerfully, and that God will add a reward. If there could be witnessed as much zeal and love on the part of all for the spiritual well-being of the Parish, as has been shown for its temporal prosperity, and for the comfort of the Rector, his heart might well be cheered. But here there is cause for sorrow and self-examination on the part of all, when so few are brought in from the world, and there is so much evidence of spiritual deadness. Besides the regular services of the Rector, he has held a third service at Monroe Falls once in two weeks during the year, and since last October once in four weeks, about five miles distant in a country school house. The attendance at the former place has probably averaged about sixty—that at the latter has been very good.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Collections for the Episcopate, $60; Contingent Fund, $8; Diocesan Missions and Education, $50; Foreign Missions, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; Orphan Asylum, $24; Ladies' Society for church debt, $120; Seamen's Friend Society, $20; For Sunday School, $30; Domestic Missions, $31—Total, $335.

This Parish is in a decidedly improving state with the growth of the city in external things. Our pews are rented with the exception of twelve reserved as free, and the congregation on Sundays has steadily increased during the year. In religious growth there is also some encouragement.

Services have been rendered during the year on a Sunday at Greenville, and during the week once at Germantown and once at Lebanon.

JAMES B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The stated collections are—1st, at the Communion, applied temporarily to the incidental expenses of the Parish; and 2d, funds for all other religious objects, except the Pastor's salary, are raised by means of weekly offerings on the Apostolic system, 1 Cor. 16: 1, 2. The Communion Alms, amounting to $31 70, on eight occasions, and the Weekly Offerings, amounting to $124 27 for ten months, have been distributed among the various objects named below.

Collections—for the Episcopate, $50; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $30 30; Mission to Oregon, $5; Foreign Missions, $5; Widow's and Orphan's Society, $6; Net proceeds of an entertainment, applied on organ debt, $124 36; Incidental Expenses of the Parish (in part,) $80 37; Sunday School of the Parish, $4 07; Baptismal Font, $6; Alms, postage, &c., $3 65—Total, $323 75, and a balance in the treasury of $10 50.

The most encouraging feature of this Parish at the present is the successful introduction of the system of "Weekly Offerings"—the result of which has been, that while the other financial interests of the Parish are in a most depressed and gloomy condition, owing to difficulties which it is hoped time will heal, there never has been so large an amount raised before, for the objects named above. It requires some labor and patience on the part of a minister, to get such a system into operation; but when once established, it is found far easier, and pleasanter, and more profitable than any other method of raising funds for benevolent purposes; as might be expected from the fact that it is the divinely ordained method.

A weekly Lecture has been sustained during the greater part of the year, and since the second Sunday in May the Rector has officiated once every Sunday in the vacant Parish at Berkshire, returning in season to hold a third service in his own Parish.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent Fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $43.38; Foreign Missions from S. School, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $2; Painting and refitting Church at Madison, $25; Sunday School objects, $16; For Church at New Castle, $30—Total, $133.88.

There has been but little change in this Parish during the past year. The Sabbath School still constitutes its most interesting feature; the average attendance since the first of June has been 110, and from this source we may soon hope for many additions to our communion.

A. T. M'MURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, East Liverpool.

Owing to the peculiar circumstances of this Parish, this report is necessarily very imperfect, we having been for the year past without a Minister. On the 9th of July last, a call was made out for the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, our former Rector, and on the 2nd Sabbath in last month (Aug.) he preached and administered the sacrament as a beginning of his rectorship, in accordance with the call above mentioned; without, however, having formally accepted the call. Dissatisfaction having subsequently arisen in a part of the congregation, Mr. Goodwin deemed it best to decline our call, which he accordingly did on Sunday the 31st ult. We are now without a Minister; all we were able to raise

by subscription was about $100. Some of the ladies in the Parish intend to take the matter in hand and try to increase the amount as much as possible. I do not feel at liberty to give any opinion of what should be done in regard to us, but will leave it entirely to those more capable of thinking and acting on the subject.

D. A. FULK, *Secretary of the Vestry.*

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

There is but little to report from this Parish, the present Rector having been in charge only since May last. There having been no regular services held here for many years past, but little was found excepting a Church edifice, to indicate a Church had ever existed here. There is reason, however, to believe that, under the Divine blessing, with persevering effort to that, the Church can be resuscitated, and eventually become an important and desirable one.

There were found here, numbered as communicants, 13. There have been added since, by admission, 1; by transfer, 6.

Funds raised and appropriated—For Episcopate, $5; Contingent, $1; Repairs on Church about $75; Communion Alms, $6.

A. CLARK, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

There has been raised over $100 towards finishing the Church, and an additional amount has been paid or pledged by friends in Cleveland. The Church is neatly finished inside; and the ladies, in addition to other assistance rendered, have furnished it with carpets and cushions. The Vestry room is not yet built; and there remains a debt of nearly $100.

E. ADAMS, *Rector.*
(P. O., Collamer.)

St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

The Rector having been absent several weeks, and not having the parish records at hand, cannot be minute in statistics.

As there is not a probability that he will resume his charge, he begs permission to say, that Fremont is a business point and is increasing in importance, and at this time it is especially desirable that the Parish should be supplied. The Congregation is, indeed, small, but made up of the choicest material. No people could be kinder, more liberal, more constant in attendance, or more profoundly attentive. Will not some suitable Shepherd look after this little flock?

H. P. POWERS, *late Rector.*

Christ Church, Franklin Mills.

The undersigned would acknowledge, with gratitude, the blessings which have been vouchsafed to this little Parish the past year. The Congregations have become much more regular and full, and a manifest increase of interest in the services of the sanctuary is observable. Christians seem more engaged, and sinners more serious minded. We hope and pray that the kindly influences of God's grace may be showered down to cheer and strengthen our Zion.

ALANSON PHELPS, *Rector.*

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

This Parish has been in charge of the present Rector for about two months. For a large portion of the past year, it has been under the joint care of the clerical professors of the Institution, who have officiated in rotation, and attended as they were called on to other Parochial duties.

J. T. BROOKE, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

The subscriber very respectfully reports to the Bishop, that the Church in Grafton is journeying on in peace and harmony. I have usually preached twice on Sunday, and occasionally at other times and places. I have used my best efforts to encourage a Bible Class and Sabbath School. I have visited, exhorted, and prayed in the families from house to house; I have endeavored to preach the necessity of repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, in order to salvation, and to clear my skirts from the blood of all men; but, among us there is a lamentable want of coming up to duty.

A. WHEELER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Minister of this Church has been absent one fourth of his time; he is earnestly desirous to devote the whole to its interests. He is in a strait betwixt two. Lancaster is a point of too much importance, and that sister Church too young, and at the same time too promising, to be left entirely destitute, without any service whatever. On the other hand, although there are in the Church at Granville, but fifteen male heads of families, and a goodly number of these poor in this world; although the congregation is not large, for such a town of churches and literary institutions, still the worshipers at St. Luke's love our service and principles so well, that they would not willingly follow even a multitude who entertain different views and modes; nor do they desire to stay at home any portion of the time which God has set apart

for public worship. Some, for the sake of doing good to others, would deprive themselves; but we regret to debar the members of our highly and justly esteemed EPISCOPAL FEMALE SEMINARY, *now full to overflowing;* we exceedingly regret thus to debar the daughters of our absent brethren and friends, the worship of their choice, and the Church of their parents and their love. We hope this state of things will not long remain. E. A. STRONG, *Minister.*

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

Services have been given in this Parish, since the last report, by Rev. Messrs. Britton, Badger, and Gillespie—Total 3; all on week days.

The children have been catechized once, 11 attending.

Collected to pay the expenses of a clerical visit, $2.

It is much to be regretted that the persons resident in Hamilton and Rossville, professing attachment to the Church, do not take a deeper interest in the revival of her services.

The undersigned, at the request of the S. W. Convocation, visited these places several times during the last three years, in conjunction with Messrs. Blake, Britton, and others; and would cheerfully have rendered further services had the disposition been shown to second his efforts. As the Railroad from Cincinnati to Hamilton will soon be opened, the probability is that these towns will offer a better opportunity for the re-establishment of our communion.

Considering that the Church has here "a name to live," that the Temple erected for her sacred rites is now profaned by the idolatries of Rome; and that a population of several thousand are gathered in these adjoining towns, in the opinion of the undersigned, an effort should be made to "repair the altar of the Lord that is broken down." Were he to remain in Cincinnati he would gladly aid in such exertions; and he prays that the heart of every one upon whom the responsibility rests, may stir him up, and that the Lord may be with them.

G. D. GILLESPIE.

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove.

I visited this Parish in May previous to the Bishop's visitation, celebrated morning service, baptized one adult and preached. A few days after the Bishop confirmed five, three of whom belonged to the Parish. Two communicants belong to the Parish, and the three confirmed are ready to receive it at the first opportunity. H. HOLLIS.

Christ Church, Hudson.

The following sums have been contributed and appropriated as follows—Episcopate, $18; Contingent Fund, $23; Diocesan Missions

and Ed., $26.50; Bp. White Pr. Book Soc., $4; Sunday School, $12; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, $5; Domestic Missions, $5—Total, $78.50.

During the year we have been encouraged by an increase of regular attendants, and we trust that the growth of the Church has been of a permanent character. We have much to humble us in the apathy too generally felt in the interests of vital religion, and can only pray that the Church may grow in grace as well as numbers, and that worldly mindedness may have less influence, and be destroyed by the sanctifying influence of the gospel.

A benevolent society was organized in March last, which promises to be an efficient aid to the benevolent operations of the Church.

T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

Of this Parish I could say much. Suffice it, however, that in the opinion of the Pastor it is deserving of high commendation; with every thing of a discouraging nature it has had to contend, but amidst them all patience and perseverance have been pre-eminent.

I have pleasure in saying that the services rendered to the S. S. children, once every month, are productive of good. Since my last report I have formed a Bible class, which is well and profitably attended. The Rector hopes that his Parish may not be overlooked in the distribution of missionary favors.

S. MARKS, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Kingston.

The state of this Parish is decidedly encouraging. The attendance upon the services of the Church is often larger than the place of worship will accommodate, and steps will soon be taken to erect a more commodious house of worship.

[See also in Report of St. Philip's, Circleville.]

L. N. FREEMAN.

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

I report only since last November, from which time, by a temporary arrangement with the Vestry, I have visited this place once in four weeks, and preached twice each Sunday in the basement of their unfinished Church.

There are but four male communicants, and neither of these wealthy; but there are a few gentlemen in the place who feel an interest in the completion of that beautiful house. They have, heretofore, contributed liberally for the house and the support of the Minister, and now are

ready again to put their shoulder to the wheel; but the load seems rather too heavy to start, without a little help. I believe they will have this help. That point is too important to be deserted, and especially at such an hour. E. A. STRONG, *Minister.*

Trinity Church, Lyme.

Since the last Convention the Minister has performed regular services for half the time, except one Sunday; and the senior Warden has performed upon the alternate days. But the Parish are now meditating to procure a Rector in connection with Bellevue. The Parish at Bellevue is now fully organized, and has nine communicants.

ABRAHAM BRONSON, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

The people of this little Parish feel and manifest a laudable zeal in every thing connected with the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom, and especially that branch of the Church to which they belong.

A. T. M'MURPHEY, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Mansfield.

I have been in Mansfield about five weeks, and for various reasons have been induced to believe it my duty to accept the very cordial and unanimous invitation of the Vestry to become the Rector of Grace Church. I have visited nearly every family thought to have a preference for our order and worship, and am of opinion that by a judicious and fervent devotion to the work of salvation, and the ministrations of the Church in her own way, there is good ground to hope that this Church will, with the divine blessing, soon become effective for general good as well as self-supporting.

The official acts of my predecessor, since the last Convention, as per record, are as above stated. There being comparatively few, as yet, to meet the responsibility of sustaining the Ministry, no contributions contemplated by the formula, that I can learn, have been raised.

HENRY BLACKALLER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Minister would report, in addition to statistics, that by the favor of God he has not in a single instance been disabled by sickness from duty, but has regularly officiated twice every Sabbath. He has found his people kind and affectionate, and he trusts, zealous and exemplary.

His relations towards them thus far have been pleasant in the highest degree.

During the present year the Parish has erected a comfortable rectory on the Church lot; an example worthy to be imitated by all the Western parishes, which desire to see their minister pleasantly situated in a residence that he can, to some extent, call his own.

JOHN BOYD, *Minister.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

This report [see abstract] embraces the statistics of St. Timothy's Church until May last, when the late Rector resigned the charge. He left the Parish in a highly flourishing condition, there having been, during the winter past, more seriousness in the congregation and more additions to the communion than for years previously. The very interesting class of 16 confirmed, were for the most part young persons, who during previous months, had, through the refreshing visitations of the Divine Spirit, "turned from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God."

A. CLARK, *late Rector.*

The Parish have had occasional services since it became vacant—mostly by the Rev. Mr. Bryan, of Granville. The Rev. Mr. Cumming, of Akron, will become Minister of the Parish in October next.

KENT JARVIS, *S. Warden.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

The Holy Communion has been administered three times within the past year. Regular lay service has been kept up throughout the year. Earnest efforts have been made to secure the permanent services of a clergyman, without success.

ANDREW YOUNG, *S. Warden.*

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The stated collections are monthly, at communion seasons, and have amounted the past year to $108,09, which has been applied towards the objects below.

For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent Fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $10; Foreign Missions, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5,37; Am. Bible Society, $40; Sabbath School Books, $12; Incidental Parish expenses, $60; Rector's salary, $400—Total, $592,39.

G. S. DAVIS, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

This Church has been without the stated services of a Pastor for the last eight months; consequently our report must be of a limited and melancholy character. With great pleasure we acknowledge the readiness of the neighboring Clergy to minister to our need, but at the same time cannot but lament the destitute condition we are in. Our hope and prayer, however, is, that this defect in our affairs may soon be supplied. There is nothing wanted in this Parish, under God, but the services of a zealous and faithful Minister, to place us on an equality with the other village Parishes in the Diocese.

There have been since the last report some changes, by removals and death. The Wardens being absent, we deemed it necessary to say thus much, in order to keep *our position* as a *living Church* upon the *Journal*. Respectfully submitted.

ALEXANDER McCLURE, *one of the Vestry.*

P. S. Having been duly elected a Delegate to the Convention, my attendance was prevented by severe illness. A. McC.

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

This Parish is now vacant. The Rev. A. T. McMurphey has officiated for us several times, and administered the communion on two different occasions. GEORGE HENDERSON, *S. Warden.*

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

The stated collections are at the administration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month, on Christmas Day, and on Easter Sunday. Also, on the third Sunday in every month for contingent expenses. The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz:

For the Episcopate, $60; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $30.80; Domestic Missions, $26.20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $12—Total, $139.

JOS. MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rector of this Parish entered upon his charge November 23d. During the long vacancy in the Rectorship that preceded, the Parish was found to have suffered from the want of regular pastoral supervision. The last year the pulpit had been kindly supplied by the late President of Kenyon College, to whom the Parish is deeply indebted, not only for such services, but for his successful efforts in securing the liquidation of a long-standing and oppressive Church debt. What we want now as a congregation is *spiritual* prosperity. Though the services of the Sabbath have been in general well attended, and some have

been added to the communion, yet with us "the ways of Zion mourn;" and but "few come to the solemn feast." May the Lord "revive his work in the hearts of his children, that it may be revived in the conversion of sinners." JOHN SWAN, *Rector.*

St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $5; Foreign Missions, $2.79; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $1.88; Society for meliorating the condition of the Jews, $2; Alms at the Holy Communion, 88c.—Total, $27.55.

The Church edifice is nearly completed. It will be ready for consecration this fall. It is a Gothic structure, and will contain sittings for about 400.

The Rector preaches here every Sunday afternoon. Hitherto, for the want of a Church of our own, and the inconveniences thence resulting, no Parish Sunday School has been established, and no systematic collections made. GEO. W. DUBOIS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $35; Contingent Fund, $6; Diocesan Missions and Education, $62; Foreign Missions, $17; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $20; American Bible Society, $11.25; American Society for ameliorating the condition of the Jews, $6.50; Collection in Sunday School for the Am. S. S. Union, $3.06; Other contributions for religious purposes, $19.96—Total, $180.77.

The Superintendent of the Sunday School being absent at the present time, I am not able to state the number of scholars upon his list, or the aggregate amount of moneys collected in the school. The condition of the Parish is unusually flourishing. The Rector had a weekly Bible Lecture in the winter and spring, which augured much good. He has also occasionally catechised the Sunday School.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Communicants, last reported, 65. Present number, resident in the vicinity of the Parish, 53: Living at a distance and occasional attendants, 14. Total, 67.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $25; Contingent Fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, (Jubilee collection,) $10; Offertory at Communion, $14.19—Total, $54.19.

My connection with this Parish dates from the 5th Sunday in Lent of the present year. During the preceding seven months I officiated at Grace Church, Mansfield, for which time, see abstract of Report of that Parish. BENJ. AUSTIN, *Minister.*

Bethel Church, Peninsula.

A new Academy was commenced by laying the corner-stone on the 14th of August, 1851. The building is 24 by 32, and will probably be finished about the 1st of October. It is perpetuated by the liberality of H. Bronson, Esq., and stands on ground belonging to the Bethel Church. The great design of it is, the education of the rising generation. An address was delivered by the Rev. T. B. Fairchild, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, to an intelligent audience. We have morning and evening prayers read every Sunday by the Lay Reader. The congregation averages about 75, and for the past year has been steadily increasing. The Lay Reader is the Principal of the Academy at present, although the Board of Trustees is composed of members of both the Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches. The Academy numbers 30 at present, and a respectable increase is confidently looked for during the winter term, which will commence about the 1st of November next.

F. H. HILL, *Lay Reader.*

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.

There has been no confirmation in this Parish during the past year. At this time there are six candidates for that rite. The Church in the village of New Castle, at present within the limits of this Parish, is now far advanced towards completion. A new and independent organization is contemplated in New Castle, during the coming year. The Episcopalians in Zanesville, Dresden, Gambier and Columbus, have given to this Parish towards building the Church in New Castle, about $200. $100 more, it is understood, has been pledged in Mt. Vernon, which will very nearly complete the building. The congregations during the past year have been usually very large.

GEO. DENISON, *Minister.*

St. James' Church, Piqua.

The stated collections are, weekly offerings and communion alms. Occasional contributions are solicited from those not subscribers to the weekly offerings.

For the Episcopate, $55; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $75; Foreign Missions, 25.10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6.86; Domestic Board of Missions, $25.10; Ame-

rican Bible Society, $29; Communion Alms for poor, $25.62—Total, $251 68.

The Catechism is taught and explained to all in attendance on the Sunday School, every week.

The Rector of this Parish is in the habit of sending funds directly to the Missionary whom he wishes to receive them. The sum above named, $25.10, was acknowledged by the Missionary at Lockport, Ill. No credit, however, is given to the Parish by the Treasurer this year, and only in part last year.

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

There has been no very important change in this Parish the last year. We have been some weakened by removals, as heretofore. Some improvements in the church are in progress. By the zeal of the ladies of the congregation, the aisles and stairs are carpeted, which we may feel assured is but an earnest of the future. A melodeon was purchased last year, which adds to the appropriate celebration of Divine worship. I have spent half my time in the Parish the present year. I spent two or three days in the Parish at Windsor, and held one service previous to the Bishop's visitation. Twice have I officiated in Warren and once at Newton Falls.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

We have great pleasure in saying that peace is in our midst, and that though few in number, union gives us strength, through the power of God. While the Great and Infinite is thus connected with the finite, the subordination of the latter to the former, is always maintained. Our services are stated and regular through the year. Our vestry room connected to the church has been finished at the expense of the congregation, and furnished and carpeted by a lady. Another has carpeted the church and purchased a baptismal font. We now feel that we have all things decent and in order.

THOS. B. DOOLEY, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $60; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $83; Domestic Missions, $15; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5; To aid other Parishes in the erection of churches and otherwise, $70—Total, $243.

The Parish of All Saints' is prospering in outward things, and we are working and laboring and praying for a corresponding condition in things spiritual. We have great cause for thankfulness to God for the success

which has crowned our efforts in the erection of a new church edifice of ample dimensions and fair proportions. It is now completed and consecrated to the worship and service of Him whose presence and blessing we hope to see manifested in the building up and enlargement of the spiritual house more and more continually.

ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

The stated collections are at the communion for charitable purposes, at the discretion of the Minister; and offerings deposited in Missionary box for various Missionary objects.

For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $58; Foreign Missions, $20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; Society for ameliorating the condition of the Jews, $15; Am. S. S. Union, $2.20; Sundry Charities, $41.44—Total, $206.64.

S. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke co.

The stated collections are monthly for contingent expenses of Parish, about $24; for the Episcopate, $15; Contingent Fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $30; Foreign Missions, $7.30; Bethel Mission, $6.30; Bible Society, $8.55; Colonization, $2.50; Other benevolent objects, $5.41; Subscription for repairs, &c., $75—Total, 178.06.

In connection with my parochial duties I have continued my school for boys as heretofore reported. The affairs of this Parish present an encouraging aspect.

I have held services, and preached twice at Yellow Springs. Other of the Clergy have also occasionally officiated there. There is reason to believe that a Parish might be organized, and a Church built in that place if the services of the Church were regularly had. If a Clergyman would teach a school in addition to regular ministerial duties, he would find the Yellow Springs a desirable location.

CHANDLER ROBBINS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $50; Contingent Fund, $10; Diocesan Missions and Education, $54.95; Foreign Missions, $50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; Domestic Missions—Illinois, 15; Oregon, 28.44—Total, $218.39.

Also, for repairs of the Church, gas fixtures, &c., upwards of *six hundred* dollars have been raised by voluntary contribution.

The Rector has performed divine service, and preached a few times

in the vacant Parish of St. James', Cross Creek, where he has also attended one funeral, and married one couple. In this brief report it is impossible to say how much needed are Ministerial and Missionary services in the eastern portion of the diocese, almost every Parish here being destitute of aid from any quarter.

INTREPID MORSE, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Toledo.

The stated collections are monthly, at the communion offertory, for purposes then specified.

The following sums have been thus and otherwise collected and appropriated, viz.—For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent Fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $5; Foreign Missions, $12.50; Domestic Missions, $12.50; Sunday School books—Ins. and Library, $55.75; Poor Alms, $42.19—Total, $152.94.

In addition to the above, about the sum of $1,000 is now being expended in the enlargement of the Church edifice. It is hoped that this will be perfected, and other incidental repairs completed without creating a debt.

The Church is gradually growing in the strength of numbers, both in the congregation and communion. And it is believed that the constant services of the Church are exercising a sanctifying effect, upon those who are within the reach of their influence. If this is not so, our labors, during the past year, have been sadly fruitless; for no special manifestations of the divine favor have appeared to *prove* them profitable. And without this encouraging hope, we should continue our labors with a sad, rather than, as I can truly say we do, with a most cheerful heart. We believe that God has graciously deposited here in a great mass of surrounding worldliness, a portion of the true leaven, (viz. his own appointed means of grace) and we have hope that it is fulfilling its appointed work. This, at least, is certain, that in the past few years, an increasing respect for the ways and institutions of religion has been gradually and generally manifested throughout our neighborhood; and we have a right to attribute some of this blessed improvement to the aggressive influence of the Church. Rejoicing in this consolation, we thank God, and take courage.

H. B. WALBRIDGE, *Rector.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

This Parish presents nothing more favorable than in former years. Its members are too few and scattered to offer much encouragement, and the Church too far from the village to have a reliable congregation. Yet it has a few within its bounds well worthy of sympathy and encouragement. A portion of my time has been spent within the Parish the past year, and twice the Holy Communion has been administered.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

Church of the Epiphany, Urbana.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $8; Contingent Fund, $1; Diocesan Missions and Education, $20.76; Incidental Expenses, $32.87; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5; Other contributions for religious purposes, $35—Total, $102.63.

In the good providence of God another year of pastoral labor has closed; during which time we have enjoyed external prosperity and peace among ourselves.

On the 11th of April last our Church was duly consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God, by the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted in the services by the Rev. Messrs. Payne, Fitch, Britton, Robbins and the Rector.

Religious services were then held in connexion with a meeting of our Convocation for three days, with profit to all concerned. Through the generous contributions of friends abroad, over $500 has been realized, which, together with the avails of the Ladies' Fair, $240, has almost entirely relieved the Parish from indebtedness in the erection of the Church; and placed it on a basis beyond any contingency of danger from this source. The Church has been carpeted, and a good fence enclosing the Church and lot has been put up. A few names have been added to the list of communicants—two have been lost yb removal. The Parish, still weak in numbers and resources, will need the fostering aid of the missionary treasury for a few years longer, that the interest already obtained may be strengthened, that nothing be lost. During the year, the Rector has given six Sundays of official services, as missionary, to Marysville, Union county, where a few Episcopalians reside, anxious for more frequent services. Circumstances have prevented his officiating in Kenton, Hardin county, where also a half dozen communicants reside. He hopes to visit these during the autumn.

CHAS. B. STOUT, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakemna.

The Parish is weak, but for piety and liberality perhaps may well compare with most of our Churches. Lay Reading is performed on the vacant Sundays. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Warren.

The stated collections are: The alms at the Holy Communion, devoted to relief of the poor. The monthly offerings, to objects of general Christian benevolence. The weekly offerings, to current expenses of the Church. For the Episcopate, $20; Contingent Fund, $5; Diocesan Missions and Education, $21.63; Foreign Missions, $20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5.65; Alms at the Holy Communion, $17.29; Parish Sunday School, $4.65; American Tract Society, $4; Current expenses of Parish by weekly offerings, $110; The chancel

has been additionally furnished with chairs, baptismal font, &c., to amount of $60—Total, 268.22.

In addition to the above, the Rector's salary for half services has been punctually paid, amounting to per annum, $300.

GEO. W. DUBOIS, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Wooster.

The stated collections are made on the 1st and 3d Sundays in the month—the former for parochial objects. The latter for Diocesan Missions and Education.

The following sums have been raised by collection and subscription and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, $15; Contingent Fund, $3; Diocesan Missions and Education, $25; Repairing and repainting Church, $85; Repairing and repainting organ, $53—Total, $181.

JOHN J. McELHINNEY, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Collections—For the Episcopate, $10; Contingent Fund, $2; Diocesan Missions and Education, $9. Other collections and appropriations have been made, of which the Minister left no record.

Since Easter the Parish has been without a Minister, but lay-reading has been performed regularly every Lord's day.

F. TULLER, *Warden.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The stated collections are on the first Sabbath of each month at the Communion, and on the third for Church purposes. For the Episcopate, $85; Contingent Fund, $12; Diocesan Missions and Education, $38.75; Foreign Missions, $33; Domestic Missions, $32; St. Matthew's, Perry, $72; St. Matthew's, Madison, $30; Colonization Society, $28; American Tract Society, $20—Total, 350.75.

The congregation is large, and attends well the Sabbath services. A noble organ has been purchased at an expense of $1,000, and several important improvements have been made in the Church edifice for lighting it with gas, and warming it in the winter. Under the Lent services, the Rector's voice failed him, and his labors have been ever since greatly embarrassed by this cause. For the last two months he has not been able to preach at all, though he has now the prospect of soon resuming the exercises of his pastoral duties. It is a subject of thankfulness, however, that we enjoy the usual degree of peace and prosperity.

WM. A. SMALLWOOD, *Rector.*

Rev. John L. Bryan, Missionary,

Reports to the Bishop as follows: The last of May he set out on a tour to St. Clairsville. On his arrival he was received with much kindness by some old friends, among whom he spent a few months some years ago. Two Sundays were spent at St. Clairsville, preaching in the afternoon of one Sunday, and morning and afternoon of the next. The few who are decidedly attached to the church in the Parish, adhere to her with unwavering confidence, under the conviction that she is founded upon the Rock of Ages, and therefore cannot be moved. If the aspect of affairs is gloomy with them at present, yet their cause is in the hands of Him whose "dominion is from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth." About two hundred miles were traveled in this journey, and something given by kind friends to help on the way. After spending a few weeks at home, the writer of this journal took a trip to Canfield and Boardman. This was his first charge in Ohio, where he spent many happy days in preaching to them the "unsearchable riches of Christ." Here two Sundays were occupied in again holding forth to them the words of eternal life. At Boardman services were held morning and afternoon; an infant was also baptised. At Canfield two services were also held, at which times the congregation was large. These two pleasant churches are yet without a minister, but some efforts are being made to procure one. May the Lord send them "one after his own heart." On taking his leave he received from them substantial proofs of their kindness and gratitude. May the "Good Master" reward them abundantly. Nearly three hundred miles were travelled in this trip. On his way to the Western Reserve, a Sunday was given to Massillon—services morning and afternoon.

After spending a week at home, on his return from this journey, the relator received and accepted an invitation from the Vestry of St. Timothy's, Massillon, to spend three or four Sundays with them previous to Convention. By God's blessing he was enabled to perform the services, very imperfectly he is aware, but still in faith that the labor will not be in vain. This Parish appears to be in a state of unity and peace, and has a flourishing Sunday School, kept by the zealous efforts of the lay-members, old and young—the ladies occupying a prominent station in this labor of love. The Parish has been for a few months without a settled minister, but expects to have one in October. And here this narrative cannot be closed without the expression of unfeigned thanks for the Christian courtesy and kindness exercised towards him by this interesting people; and when he departed, the Apostle's rule concerning giving and receiving was not omitted by them. May "God supply all their needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Amen.

Massillon, Sept. 8, 1851.

Rev. George Denison

Reports to the Bishop that during the past year he has continued to discharge the duties of Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philoso-

phy in Kenyon College, in addition to which he has preached, as heretofore, every other Sunday, in St. Matthew's, Perry, the condition of which Parish he has reported under the proper head. On each intermediate Sunday he has usually preached once in Rosse Chapel, Gambier. He has also endeavored to do something for "Christ and the Church," as one of the editors of our Diocesan paper.

Rev. John Foster.

Since last Convention, I have been called upon but little to perform Divine Service, and probably shall not be again before Convention.

Twice I report having held service and preached four times in Urbana, and once in Yellow Springs.

Rev. Thomas M. Smith

Reports to the Bishop that in addition to his official duties as a Professor in the Theological Seminary, he has during the year acted as President of Kenyon College, and has had under his particular instruction the Senior Class in that Institution. He has also officiated regularly in his turn in Rosse Chapel; has administered the communion 8 times; infant baptism 4 times; and performed the marriage service twice. He has also officiated twice in St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, and once in St. James', Zanesville.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,

During the past year reports the discharge of no strictly parochial duties. He has preached occasionally in Rosse Chapel, and in one or two other places. He has attended as heretofore to the duties of his Professorship in the Theological Seminary, and to those of the general agency of the Institution. During most of the year he has also taught a class in Kenyon College in Latin and the Greek Testament.

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Number of parishes in union with the Convention,		85
Baptisms—		
Infants in fifty-five parishes,		502
Adults in twenty-nine parishes,		73
Confirmations in thirty-six parishes,		280
Communicants—		
Added in fifty parishes,		630
Diminished by death, removals, etc. in fifty parishes,		321
Net increase during the year,		322
Present number in eighty-three parishes,		4,351
Marriages in forty-eight parishes,		141
Burials in fifty-three parishes,		367
Sunday Schools in sixty-two parishes—teachers, 635; scholars,		1477
Contributions reported—		
For the Episcopate and Contingent Funds, 71 parishes,	$2,496	28
For Missions—Foreign, Domestic, and Diocesan, 58 do.	$3,576	07
For other benevolent objects, extra-parochial, 34 do.	$2,653	96
For parochial purposes, in 36 parishes,	$6,667	06
Amount for all objects, except rectors' salaries, 74 do.	$15,393	37

From thirteen parishes no statistical information has been received, and from many others the reports are so imperfect, that the above summary furnishes only an approximation to a correct view of the state of the Church in this Diocese.

N. B. All the statistics which could be detailed with sufficient minuteness in the tabular Abstract, have been omitted in the preceding pages, in order to reduce the size and expense of the Journal.

APPENDIX [B].

TREASURER'S REPORT.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Akron, St. Paul's, - -	$68 00	$22 00		$17 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's,	38 00	100 00	$6 72	24 28
Berkshire, Grace, - - -	8 00		2 00	
Boardman, St. James', -	8 00	28 25		7 00
Canfield, St. Stephen's, -	10 00	11 50	2 00	2 00
Centerville, St. David's,	6 00	4 00	1 00	
Chillicothe, St. Paul's, -	80 00		12 00	
Cincinnati, Christ, - -	250 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. John's, -	70 00		10 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's, -	163 00		10 00?	
Cincinnati, Trinity, - -	20 00		5 00	
Circleville, St. Philip's,	35 00	8 00	8 00	
Cleveland, Grace, - -	10 00	60 00	4 00	7 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's, -	70 00		10 00	
Cleveland, Trinity, - -	80 00	10 00	12 00	2 00
Columbia, St. Luke's, -	4 00		1 00	
Columbus, St. Paul's, -	25 50	4 50		8 00
Columbus, Trinity, - -	95 00	53 36	20 00	42 00
Cross Creek, St. James',	11 45	13 55	5 00	2 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's,	30 00		5 00	
Dayton, Christ, - - -	50 00		8 00	
Deersville, St. Albans', -	5 00	10 00	1 00	2 00
Delaware, St. Peter's, -	50 00		10 00	
Dover, St. John's, - -		6 00		4 00
Dresden, Zion, - - -	10 00		2 00	
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's,		3 00		1 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's, -	13 00		2 00	
Euclid, St. Paul's, - -	4 00		1 00	
Franklin, Christ, - - -	4 00		2 00	
Fremont, St. Paul's, -	?			
Gambier, Harcourt, -	40 00		7 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's, -	8 00	13 00		8 00
Granville, St. Luke's, -	20 00			
Greenville, St. Paul's, -	4 00		2 00	
Hamilton, St. Matthew's,		4 00		2 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's, -	2 00		2 00	
Hudson, Christ, - - -	18 00		5 00	
Huron, Christ, - - -	4 50	20 50		7 00
Jefferson, Trinity, - -	5 00		1 00	

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Kingston, St. James', -	4 00		1 00	
Lancaster, St. John's, -	?			
Lyme, Trinity, - - -	8 00		1 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's,	8 00		2 00	
Mansfield, Grace, - -		20 00		8 00
Marietta, St. Luke's, -	40 00	10 00		10 00
Marion, St. Paul's, - -	4 00		2 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's,	25 00		5 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's,	14 00		4 00	
Medina, St. Paul's, - -	32 00	3 00	5 00	
Milan, St. Luke's, - -		10 00		3 00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's, -	5 00		3 00	
Mount Vernon, St. Paul's,	60 00		10 00	
Newark, Trinity, - -	21 00	39 00	10 00	10 00
Newton Falls, St. Mark's,	10 00		5 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's, - -	35 00		6 00	
Ohio City, St. John's, -	18 00		5 00	
Painesville, St. James',	25 00		5 00	
Penfield, Christ, - -	4 00			1 00
Peninsula, Bethel, - -		10 00		2 00
Perry, St. Matthew's, -	4 00		2 00	
Piqua, St. James', - -	55 00		5 00	
Plymouth, St. Matthew's,	8 00		2 00	
Pomeroy, Grace, - - -	10 00		2 00	
Portsmouth, All Saints',	60 00		10 00	
Rome, St. Peter's, - -		4 50		6 00
Roscoe, Immanuel, - -		10 00		2 00
Sandusky City, Grace, -	50 00		10 00	
Springfield, Christ, - -	15 00		2 00	
Springfield, St. John's, -		10 00	2 00	2 00
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas',	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's,	50 00	59 00	10 00	10 00
Strongsville, St. Philip's,	34 00		1 00	
Toledo, Trinity, - - -	20 00		5 00	
Troy, Trinity, - - -		3 00		2 00
Unionville, St. Michael's,	2 00		1 00	
Urbana, Epiphany, - -	8 00	5 00	1 00	
Wakeman, St. John's, -	4 00		1 00	
Warren, Christ, - - -	20 00		5 00	
Wooster, St. James', -	15 00		3 00	
Worthington, St. John's,	10 00		2 00	
Zanesville, St. James', -	85 00		12 00	
Total, - - - - -	$2,097 45	$560 10	$337 72	$192 28

WM. WOOD, Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.

N. B.—Through some inadvertency, the remainder of Dr. Wood's Report is not received.—[Sec

APPENDIX [C].

The Committee of Finance beg leave to submit the following schedule of assessments for the ensuing year. They are in general the same as those of last year, with such modifications as the changed ability of certain parishes seemed to require. They amount altogether to the sum of $2,099 for the Episcopate, and $440 for the Contingent Fund.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1851-52.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingent Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's,	$30	$5
Ashtabula, St. Peter's,	40	10
Bellevue, St. Paul's,	10	2
Berkshire, Grace,	8	2
Boardman, St. James',	15	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's,	6	2
Canton, Advent,	5	1
Centreville, St. David's,	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's,	80	12
Cincinnati, Christ,	250	50
Cincinnati, St. John's,	70	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's,	150	30
Cincinnati, Trinity,	20	5
Circleville, St. Philip's,	35	8
Cleveland, Grace,	10	4
Cleveland, St. Paul's,	70	10
Cleveland, Trinity,	80	12
Columbia, St. Luke's,	4	1
Columbus, St. Paul's,	30	8
Columbus, Trinity,	85	15
Cross Creek, St. James',	25	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's,	25	5
Dayton, Christ,	50	8
Deersville, St. Albans',	5	1
Delaware, St. Peter's,	50	10
Dover, St. John's,	3	2
Dresden, Zion,	10	2
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's,	3	1
Elyria, St. Andrew's,	4	1

ASSESSMENTS—CONTINUED.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Continge't Fund.
Euclid, St. Paul's,	$4	$2
Franklin, Christ,	4	2
Fremont, St. Paul's,	4	1
Gallipolis, St. Peter's,	4	1
Gambier, Harcourt,	40	6
Grafton, St. Stephen's,	5	2
Granville, St. Luke's,	20	4
Greenville, St. Paul's,	4	2
Hamilton, St. Matthew's,	4	2
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's,	2	1
Hudson, Christ,	18	5
Huron, Christ,	4	2
Jefferson, Trinity,	5	1
Kingston, St. James',	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's,	4	1
Lyme, Trinity,	8	1
Madison, St. Matthew's,	8	2
Mansfield, Grace,	10	4
Marietta, St. Luke's,	25	5
Marion, St. Paul's,	4	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's,	40	10
Maumee City, St. Paul's,	5	2
Medina, St. Paul's,	35	5
Milan, St. Luke's,	10	3
Mill Creek, St. Mark's,	5	3
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's,	65	10
Newark, Trinity,	35	10
Newton Falls, St. Mark's,	10	5
Norwalk, St. Paul's,	35	6
Ohio City, St. John's,	20	5
Painesville, St. James',	25	5
Penfield, Christ,	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel,	5	1
Perry, St. Matthew's,	4	2
Piqua, St. James',	55	10
Plymouth, St. Matthew's,	8	2
Pomeroy, Grace,	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints',	75	15
Rome, St. Peter's,	1	1
Roscoe, Immanuel,	5	1
Sandusky City, Grace,	55	10
Springfield, Clarke co., Christ,	15	2
Springfield, Jeff. co., St. John's,	10	2
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas,	5	1

ASSESSMENTS—Continued.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Continge't Fund.
Steubenville, St. Paul's,	$50	$10
Strongsville, St. Philip's,	4	1
Toledo, Trinity,	20	5
Troy, Trinity,	8	2
Unionville, St. Michael's,	2	1
Urbana, Epiphany,	10	2
Wakeman, St. John's,	4	1
Warren, Christ,	20	5
Wooster, St. James',	15	3
Worthington, St. John's,	10	2
Zanesville, St. James',	85	12

In regard to providing for the payment of arrearages long due the Bishop, your Committee would urge upon *delinquent parishes*, as the just and proper resort, the immediate payment of their dues to this Fund, which of itself would be amply sufficient to meet the debt. They would, however, further suggest that such Parishes as feel able to do so, be requested to make voluntary contributions to this object. This the Committee are encouraged to recommend, from the fact that one Parish has already pledged itself, by its delegate, for nearly one-sixth of the amount due. Respectfully submitted,

M. T. C. WING, }
KENT JARVIS, } Committee.

APPENDIX [D].

MISSIONS AND EDUCATION.

A. Blake, *Treasurer, in account with Missionary and Education Funds of the Diocese of Ohio.*

1850–51.	Dr.
To balance reported last year,	$135 99
Convention collection in Dayton, Sept. 1850,	35 00
To cash of St. Paul's Church, Akron,	6 00
" Grace, Berkshire,	4 70

To cash of St. James', Boardman,			$6 00
" St. Paul's, Chillicothe, $96 35—S. School, 3 65,			100 00
" Christ Church, Cincinnati, collections,	$259 93		
" " Butler & Brothers,	100 00		
" " S. School,	22 28		
" " Mrs. J. D. J.,	15 00		
" " Miss. box S. E. & J. Schoenberger,	10 50	407	71
" St. Paul's, Cincinnati,		93	37
" St. John's, Cincinnati,		29	00
" Trinity, Cincinnati, $7—S. School, $10,		17	00
" St. Philip's, Circleville, $58—Female com. $2,50,		60	50
" Grace, Cleveland,		5	50
" Trinity, Columbus, $70—Female com. $10,		80	00
" St. Luke's, Columbia,		3	60
" St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,		50	00
" Christ, Dayton,		51	00
" St. Peter's, Delaware,		25	00
" Zion, Dresden,		43	88
" St. Paul's, Euclid,		3	00
" Granville, S. N. Sanford, $5—Female Sem. $5,		10	00
" Harcourt, Gambier,	$39 84		
" " " Dr. & Mrs. Pattison,	5 00		
" " " J. Sawer,	5 00	49	84
" St. James', Kingston, $7—Mrs. E. Maxwell, $5,		12	00
" Christ, Hudson,		27	00
" Christ, Huron,		5	00
" Trinity, Lyme,		12	00
" St. Matthew's, Madison,		15	75
" St. Paul's, Marion,		10	00
" St. Luke's, Marietta,		14	00
" St. Timothy's, Massillon,		64	04
" St. Paul's, Medina,	$10		
" " Mrs. W. Warner, to Rev. A. Phelps,	5	15	00
" St. Luke's, Milan,		8	55
" St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,		30	80
" Trinity, Newark,		10	00
" St. Paul's, Norwalk,		62	00
" St. Mark's, Newton Falls,		5	00

To cash of	St. John's, Ohio City,			$28 50
"	St. James', Painesville,			10 00
"	St. Matthew's, Perry,			4 00
"	St. James', Piqua,			75 00
"	Grace, Pomeroy,			10 00.
"	All Saints', Portsmouth,			83 00
"	St. Matthew's, Plymouth,			8 00
"	Grace, Sandusky City, $52 39—Mrs. A. H. Moss, $5,			57 39
"	Christ, Springfield,			30 00
"	St. Paul's, Steubenville,			54 94
"	St. Philip's, Strongsville,			6 87
"	Trinity, Toledo,			5 00
"	St. Michael's, Unionville,			1 00
"	Epiphany, Urbana,	$8 07		
"	" S. School,	2 69		
"	" From the Rector,	10 00		20 76
"	Christ, Warren,			21 63
"	St. John's, Wakeman,			5 38
"	St. John's, Worthington,			15 00
"	St. James', Wooster,			25 00
"	St. James', Zanesville,			41 00
"	Friend, through Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine,			50 00
"	Friends in Boston, through Miss S. Stockton,			20 00
				$2080 70

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Cash paid to Missionaries—

Rev. R. Gray,		$216 68
" A. Bronson,		77 00
" E. Adams,		110 33
" H. Hollis,		62 75
" T. B. Dooley,		68 00
" A. Edwards,		55 00
" C. B. Stout,		170 16
" S. Marks,		20 00
" A. T. McMurphey,		100 00
" G. B. Sturges,		74 28

Rev. A. Phelps,	$130 00	
" J. R. Taylor,	126 00	
" O. Taylor,	20 00	
" Wm. Miller,	142 00	
" G. Thompson,	40 00	
" J. B. Goodwin,	125 00	
" J. J. McElhinney,	25 00	
Total to Missionaries,		$1562 20
Cash paid Beneficiaries,		496 44
" Printing, Postage, &c.		7 10
Balance in Treasury,		14 96
		$2080 70

APPENDIX [E].

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of , county of , and State of Ohio; and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen, and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

APPENDIX [F].

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' SOCIETY.

THE Annual Meeting of the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Ohio, was holden in St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, on the morning of September 11th, 1851.

The Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, and ex-officio President of the Society, took the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary submitted his Annual Report, which, on motion, was accepted.

Sixth Annual Report.

Another year has transpired and no death has yet occurred among the members of our association; consequently, the Society has no annuities to pay, and its funds are permitted to accumulate without abatement. The following abstract of the Treasurer's Report exhibits the present financial condition of our Society:

The amount of securities at the close of the last report, consisting of notes of members, certificates of Bank Stock, and Knox County Bonds, - - - - -	$4,460 23
The amount at the present time is - - - - -	$4,544 01
Showing an increase in securities of - - - - -	$83 78
The amount of cash in hands of the Treasurer at the close of last report, - - - - - - - - -	$41 30
Amount at the present time, - - - - - -	$585 13
Showing an increase in cash of - - - - - -	$543 83
The total amount of Society funds, - - - - -	$5,129 14
Total increase since last report, - - - - -	$627 61

Twenty-three parishes have aided the Society by parochial collections and other contributions, to the amount, exclusive of collection at Convention, of $240 10. During the year preceding, up to the time of preparing the annual report, the amount contributed from 12 parishes, together with the collection at Convention, was $130 89. Showing an increase in the number of parishes contributing, of 11, and in the sum contributed, of $109 11. There has been paid on premium notes the

past year $112 48. The number of members at last report was 52—of whom one has since forfeited his membership by neglecting to comply with the requisitions of the laws, and one has withdrawn, leaving the number 50. *Ten* have been added the past year, making the present number 60. Their names are as follows—Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., Rev. Drs. S. A. Bronson, J. T. Brooke, R. B. Claxton, G. B. Perry, J. Muenscher, T. M. Smith and M. T. C. Wing; and the Rev. Messrs. A. F. Dobb, E. H. Canfield, T. B. Fairchild, W. A. Smallwood, A. Phelps, E. Burr, J. B. Britton, A. Guion, L. L. Holden, H. Payne, E. Winthrop, A. Wheeler, N. Badger, G. Denison, A. Blake, J. L. Bryan, G. S. Davis, L. N. Freeman, W. C. French, R. Gray, H. Hollis, E. Lounsbery, H. L. Richards, C. B. Stout, G. B. Sturges, C. C. Townsend, A. T. M'Murphey, C. W. Fitch, J. R. Taylor, A. Bronson, R. K. Mead, E. Boyden, W. W. Arnett, T. B. Dooley, J. Ufford, R. S. Nash, L. Burton, G. D. Gillespie, A. Clarke, L. Windsor, K. J. Stewart, D. W. Tolford, G. W. DuBois, E. H. Cumming, H. B. Walbridge, S. Y. M'Masters, Wm. R. Nicholson, F. B. Nash, Henry Blackaller, Intrepid Morse, Erastus A. Strong, John Swan—60.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

The Treasurer's Report was then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, accepted.

The Society, on motion, adjourned till Friday morning, at 8 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, *September* 12, 1851.

The Society met pursuant to adjournment in St. Paul's Church. In the absence of Bishop McIlvaine, Rev. C. W. Fitch was called to the Chair. The proposed amendment to fundamental law I. laid over from the last annual meeting, for final action at this meeting, was, on motion, taken up and, after discussion, was indefinitely postponed. The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were duly elected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. M'ILVAINE, D.D., President (ex-officio.)
Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Secretary.
GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Treasurer.

The Society then, on motion, adjourned *sine die.*

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Clergy, Widows' and Orphans' Society, in account with GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

	Cr.	Securities.	Cash.
1850.			
Dec.	By securities and cash received from Dr. Stamp, the former Treasurer	$4,460 32	$41 30
	Collection, St. Peter's Church, Delaware, $5.17; St. Matthew's Church, Madison, and Zion Church, Dresden, $5; St. James' Church, Zanesville, $25	.....	35 17
	Rev. A. Phelps, $9.75; collection, Christ Church, Dayton, $11.50; Weekly offerings, St. James' Church, Piqua, $23; collection, St. John's Church, Ohio City, $6; All Saints' Church, Portsmouth, $5	.....	55 25
	Rev. G. W. Dubois, premium note, $50; Rev. E. H. Cumming, ditto, $50; Rev. H. B. Walbridge, ditto, $50; Rev. S. Y. M'Masters, $50; Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, $50; Rev. F. B. Nash, $50	300 00	
	Rev. G. S. Davis, $2.26; Rev. A. T. M'Murphey, $6.06	.....	8 32
1851.			
Jan.	Contribution from Charity Fund, Grace Church, Sandusky City	.....	10 00
	Interest on Knox County Bonds	.....	108 00
Apl.	Collection, Christ Church, Dayton	.....	10 00
May.	Rev. Henry Blackaller	50 00	3 00
	Rev. N. Badger, $4.25; collection, Christ Church, Hudson, $3; contribution from Benevolent Society, ditto, $5	.....	12 25
	Rev. J. L. Bryan, note and interest, $3.30; Mechanics' Bank Dividend, $20.50; Interest, 98 cts	.....	24 78
	Collection, Christ Church, Warren, $4; St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls, $3	.....	7 00
	Rev. G. W. DuBois, $3; Rev. A. Bronson, $3; collection, St. Paul's Church, Medina, $8; Rev. J. Rice Taylor, $3; Rev. E. H. Cumming, $3; Rt. Rev. C. P. M'Ilvaine, $3; Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, $3; Rev. Edward Winthrop, $3; Rev. A. F. Dobb, $3; Rev. J. L. Bryan, $3; Rev. C. C. Townsend, $7.22; Rev. C. W. Fitch, $3; Rev. H. Payne, $3; Rev. T. B. Dooley, $6 36; Rev. H. B. Walbridge, $3; Rev. C. B. Stout, $3; Rev. E. H. Canfield, $3; Rev. E. Burr, $3; Rev. G. B. Sturges, $4.13; Rev. A. Guion, $3; Rev. I. Morse, $5; Rev. S. Y. M'Masters, $3; Rev. W. R. Nicholson, $3; Rev. Dr. Brooke, $3; Rev. A. Blake, $3; collection, at Convention, in Christ Church, Dayton, $28.35	.....	119 06
	Rev. F. B. Nash, $3; Rev. John Ufford, $3; Rev. H. L. Richards, $3; Rev. Dr. Perry, $3; Rev. E. Boyden, $3; Rev. L. L. Holden, $3; Rev R. K. Meade, $7; Rev. Dr. Bronson, $3; collection, St. James' Church, Cross Creek, $5; Rev. A. Wheeler, $11; Rev. D. W. Tolford, $3; Rev. G. D. Gillespie, $3; Rev. A. Clark, $3; Rev. G. Denison, $3; Rev. Dr. Smith, $3; Rev. E. Lounsbery, $5; collection, St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, $31.03; St. Philip's Church, Circleville, $8	.....	103 03
	Rev. Erastus A. Strong	50 00	3 00
Sept.	Rev. M. T. C Wing, $3.12; collection, Harcourt Parish, Gambier, $6.75; Whit-Sunday collection, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, $15; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, $1 90; Trinity, Jefferson, $1.25; St. Michael's, Unionville, $1.15	.....	29 17
	Collection, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, $12; Trinity, Newark, $6; Rev. I. Morse, $3; Rev. A. F. Dobb, $5; Rev. R. S. Nash, $3	.....	29 00
	Rev. John Swan	50 00	
		$4,912 49	$596 07

	Dr.	Securit's	Cash.
1850.			
Dec.	To Rev. W. C. French, note paid	$2 00	
	" A. T. M'Murphey, ditto	3 00	
	" A. T. M'Murphey, off premium note	5 00	
	" Wm. A. Smallwood, off premium note	25 00	
	" A. Phelps, two notes paid	6 00	
	" J. B. Britton, off premium note	8 50	
	" C. W. Fitch, premium note paid	23 00	
	" L. Burton, off premium note	3 00	
	" E. Burr, ditto	5 00	
	" C. Colton's notes surrendered	53 00	
	" R. G. Cox, ditto	53 00	
1851.			
Apl.	" J. B. Britton, off premium note	10 00	
	cash paid postage	.....	05
	Rev. T. B. Fairchild, off premium note	92	
	cash paid printing annual report	.....	8 00
	Rev. N. Badger, off premium note	62	
	" J. L. Bryan, note paid	3 00	
	" R. Gray, off premium note	2 00	
	" G. D. Gillespie, ditto, $31.03; Rev. E. Lounsbery, ditto, $1.19	32 22	
	cash paid postages, blank book, &c.	.....	1 70
Sept.	Rev. L. N. Freeman, off premium note	11 92	
	" H. Hollis, off premium note, $1.30; Rev. Dr. Muenscher, ditto, $9; Rev. J. Swan, ditto, $3; Rev. A. F. Dobb, ditto, $2	15 30	
	cash paid Dr. Muenscher, sundry postages	.....	1 19
	Rev. R. S. Killin, notes surrendered	56 00	
	" B. Dresser, ditto	50 00	
		$368 48	$10 94

Total debits	$368 48	$10 94
Total credits	4,912 49	596 07
Balance in Treasury	$4,544 01	$585 13

To which may be added interest due on cash assets in Treasurer's hands, $13 87.

G. BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

Sums amounting to $281.70, were paid in during the sitting of the Convention, at Cleveland, which will be acknowledged in the next annual report.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for $50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of $3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall sub-

ject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note ($50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, ($75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note.

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years, if a male, or twenty-five, if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining

children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow, if she be alive, and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

ERRATA.—[The first pages of the Journal having been sent to press before being revised by the Secretary, several errors have occurred, of which the following are the most prominent:

After the name of Rev. Mr. Adams, page 3, insert "P. O., Collamer."

Same page, insert in its proper order, the following:

The Rev. HENRY BLACKALLER,* Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.

Page 4, 1st line, instead of "St. Timothy's Church, Massillon," read "St. Andrew's, Elyria."

Same page, after the name of the Rev. Mr. Gillespie, erase the remainder of the sentence.

Page 6, insert "LL.D.," after the name of the Rev. Dr. Perry.

Same page, read "Walbridge," instead of "Wallbridge," and "Total—65," instead of "64."

Page 11, read "J. Detur," instead of "J. Detar," and "I. H. Kiersted," for "J. H. Kiersted."

Page 12, 4th line, read "T. McAuley," instead of "T. McAnley."

Page 19, 14th line, for "no" read "not."

Several other errors of a merely typographical nature escaped the notice of the printer, which the reader can readily correct.

Diocese of Ohio, 1851-52.

THE RT. REV. CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D.,
BISHOP, AND PRESIDENT OF CONVENTION.
Residence, *Cincinnati*.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

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SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH.
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TREASURER OF CONVENTION.

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D., *Cincinnati*.

SOCIETY FOR RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., SECRETARY.
Residence, *Mount Vernon*.

POSTSCRIPT.

[The following is the remainder of the Treasurer's Report, which did not come to hand until the Journal was through the press. The amount of Contingent Fund credited to St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, should be $24, instead of $10; and the total amount of Contingent Fund receipts, page 67, $373.72. Also, last line of page 51, read, "Contingent Fund, $6," instead of "$25." See also Errata, bottom of page 79.—SECRETARY.]

WM. WOOD, *Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio*,
To EPISCOPATE FUND, DR.

For cash received from various Parishes during current year, $2097 45

CONTRA, CR.

By amount paid Bishop of Diocese, - - - $2097 45

DIOCESE OF OHIO,
To RT. REV. C. P. MCILVAINE, DR.

For arrears of salary remaining unpaid last year,	$658 02	
For salary for current year, - -	2000 00	
		$2658 02

CONTRA, CR.

By amount paid him as per Treasurer's account, -	$2097 45
Balance remaining unpaid, - - - -	560 57

WM. WOOD, *Treasurer*,
To CONTINGENT FUND, DR.

For cash received during past year, - - - $373 72

CONTRA, CR.

By amount paid Rev. A. Badger for printing Journals,	$206 50	
" " Bishop, arrears of traveling expenses,	30 99	
" " " traveling expenses and postage,	41 62	
" " Secretary for his expenses, - -	10 00	
" " Rev. T. M. Smith, due last year, -	25	
" " " Jos. Muenscher, " -	18 50	
" " " W. A. Smallwood, " -	2 00	
" " Treasurer, balance in his favor last year,	10 18	
" " " trav. expenses, books, postage, &c.,	25 50	
" " " counterfeit note, - - -	2 00	
		$347 50
Balance on hand, - - - - - - - -		$26 18

The following are the only claims on the Contingent Fund known to the Treasurer, except a few interest amounts for old balances.

Wm. B. Thrall, exclusive of interest, - - -	$18 50
Dr. M. W. Stamp, " " - -	15 00
Rev. N. Badger, " " - - -	3 00
	$36 50

WM. WOOD, Treasurer Diocese of Ohio

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AKRON, St. Paul's.
ASHTABULA, St. Peter's.
BELLEVUE, St. Paul's.
BERKSHIRE, Grace.
BOARDMAN, St. James'.
CANFIELD, St. Stephen's.
CENTERVILLE, St. David's.
CHILLICOTHE, St. Paul's.
CINCINNATI, Christ.
CINCINNATI, St. John's.
CINCINNATI, St. Paul's.
CINCINNATI, Trinity.
CIRCLEVILLE, St. Philip's.
CLEVELAND, Grace.
CLEVELAND, St. Paul's.
CLEVELAND, Trinity.
COLUMBIA, St. Luke's.
COLUMBUS, St. Paul's.
COLUMBUS, Trinity.
CROSS CREEK, St. James'.
CUYAHOGA FALLS, St. John's.
DAYTON, Christ.
DELAWARE, St. Peter's.
DRESDEN, Zion.
EAST LIVERPOOL, St. Stephen's.
EAST PLYMOUTH, St. Matthew's.
EAST SPRINGFIELD, St. John's.
ELYRIA, St. Andrew's.
EUCLID, St. Paul's.
FRANKLIN, Christ.
FREMONT, St. Paul's.
GALLIPOLIS, St. Peter's.
GAMBIER, Harcourt.
GRAFTON, St. Stephen's.
GRANVILLE, St. Luke's.
GREENVILLE, St. Paul's.
HAMILTON, St. Matthew's.
HARTSGROVE, St. Paul's.
HUDSON, Christ.
HURON, Christ.
JEFFERSON, Trinity.
KINGSTON, St. James'.
LANCASTER, St. John's.
LYME, Trinity.
MADISON, St. Matthew's.
MANSFIELD, Grace.
MARIETTA, St. Luke's.
MARION, St. Paul's.
MASSILLON, St. Timothy's.
MAUMEE CITY, St. Paul's.
MEDINA, St. Paul's.
MILAN, St. Luke's.
MILL CREEK, St. Mark's.
MT. VERNON, St. Paul's.
NEWARK, Trinity.
NEWTON FALLS, St. Mark's.
NORWALK, St. Paul's.
OHIO CITY, St. John's.
PAINESVILLE, St. James'.
PENFIELD, Christ.
PENINSULA, Bethel.
PERRY, St. Matthew's.
PIQUA, St. James'.
POMEROY, Grace.
PORTSMOUTH, All Saints'.
ROME, St. Peter's.
ROSCOE, Immanuel.
SANDUSKY CITY, Grace.
SPRINGFIELD, Christ.
ST. CLAIRSVILLE, St. Thomas'.
STEUBENVILLE, St. Paul's.
STRONGSVILLE, St. Philip's.
TOLEDO, Trinity.
TROY, Trinity.
UNIONVILLE, St. Michael's.
URBANA, Epiphany.
WAKEMAN, St. John's.
WARREN, Christ.
WINDSOR, Christ.
WOOSTER, St. James'.
WORTHINGTON, St. John's,
ZANESVILLE, St. James'.

TOTAL—82.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, SEPTEMBER, 1863

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. ELI ADAMS, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Strongsville, and St. Luke's, Columbia, and Missionary.

" " NORMAN BADGER, Principal of the Preparatory School connected with Kenyon College.

" " JAMES E. BATTIN, Deacon, Minister of St. James' Church, Painesville.

" " ALBERT BINGHAM,* Deacon, officiating at St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

" " HIRAM N. BISHOP, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

" " HENRY BLACKALLER, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.

" " ALFRED BLAKE, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, and Principal of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier.

" " JOHN BOYD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

" " JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,* residing at Painesville.

" " JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

" " ABRAHAM BRONSON, Missionary in charge of St. John's Church, Wakeman.

" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

" " JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theol. Seminary, and of Mental Philosophy and Rhetoric in Kenyon College.

" " JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.

" " ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

" " LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

" " T. W. CLAPP, Deacon,* residing at Fremont.

" " ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

" " JOHN W. CLARK, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

" " E. H. CUMMING, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

" " G. S. DAVIS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

" " GEORGE DENISON, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College, Gambier.

" " THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Missionary

" " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTLE,* Deacon.

* Not entitled to seats in this Convention under Article IV of the Constitution.

The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON DUBOIS, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's, Newton Falls.

" " ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

" " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

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" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

" " WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Secretary of the Convention. P. O., Columbus.

" " WILLIAM GRANVILLE,* residing at Medina.

" " RICHARD GRAY, Rector of Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and Missionary.

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" " WM. NORMAN IRISH,* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

" " MARK RICHARD JUKES,* Deacon.

" " JAMES MCELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

" " ALBERT T. MCMURPHEY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's, Madison, and Missionary.

" " SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron.

" " INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

" " RODNEY S. NASH.*

" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bellevue, and Trinity, Lyme.

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" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

" " HENRY PAYNE,* Agent of the American Sunday School Union.

" " ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of Christ Church, Franklin Mills.

" " HENRY P. POWERS.*

" " WILLIAM PRESTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

" " DANIEL RISSER,* Deacon.

" " CHANDLER ROBBINS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.

" " ALVAH SANFORD, Rector of the Granville Female Seminary.

" " WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

" " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, and President of Kenyon College.

" " CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.

" " E. A. STRONG, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

" " GEORGE THOMPSON,* residing at Newton Falls.

" " JAMES C. TRACY, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

" " DUDLEY A. TYNG,* Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

" " SPENCER WALL,* residing at West Lodi, Seneca Co.

" " HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.

" " A. WHEELER.*

" " LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

" " M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

" " EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Total—70.

RULES OF ORDER.

I.

The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II.

When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III.

After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V.

At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI.

The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X.

Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI.

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII.

No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII.

When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV.

When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI.

Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII.

The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE,
September 8th, 1852.

THIS being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the Thirty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Right Reverend Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several of the Clergy and Laity, assembled in St. Paul's Church, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. G. W. Dubois, the Lessons by the Rev. Erastus Burr, and the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. T. B. Fairchild, from Revelation iii. 14–19.

Divine Service being concluded, the Bishop of the Diocese took the chair as President, and the Convention proceeded to organize.

A list of the clergy entitled to seats, prepared by the Bishop, was called by the Secretary, when the following were found to be present, viz:

Right Reverend Charles P. McIlvaine, D.D.,

Rev. Messrs.	Badger,	Cumming,	Holden,
	Battin,	Davis,	McElroy,
	Bishop,	Dooley,	McMurphey,
	Blackaller,	Dubois,	Muenscher, D.D.
	Boyd,	Edwards,	Nash, R. K.
	Britton,	Fairchild,	Nicholson,
	Bryan,	Fitch,	Smallwood,
	Burr,	Freeman,	Strong,
	Clark, A.	French,	Winthrop,
	Clark, J. W.	Gray,	—30.

A list of the Parishes in union with the Convention being then read by the Secretary, the certificates of their

Lay Delegates were laid on the table, and the following gentlemen were appointed the

Committee on Credentials—Rev. L. L. Holden, Rev. G. W. Dubois, and Mr. D. K. Cady.

The Rev. W. C. French was reëlected Secretary, after which the Convention took a recess till three o'clock, p. m.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in singing and prayers.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and the following, in addition to those present this morning, answered to their names:

Rev. Messrs. Brooke, D.D., Stout, and Wing, D.D.

The Committee on Credentials reported the names of persons entitled to seats as Lay Delegates, and also reported that the Vestry of Christ Church, Cincinnati, had certified to the election of three Lay Delegates (two only being present), and appended to the certificate these words: "with power to fill a vacancy;" and that the Delegates in attendance had substituted the name of Dr. Wm. Wood, a communicant of said Parish, who is present as Treasurer of the Diocese. Whereupon, in order to test the question of the constitutional and canonical authority of a Vestry thus to delegate its powers, Mr. N. G. Pendleton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Dr. Wood be received by this Convention as a Delegate from Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Which was decided in the negative.

The names of the Lay Delegates reported were then called over by the Secretary, as follows:

St. Paul's, Chillicothe—J. S. Swearingen, O. T. Reeves, E. Adams.
Christ, Cincinnati—N. G. Pendleton, H. Probasco, W. Richards.
St. John's, Cincinnati—J. Haskell, H. B. Kennedy, D. W. Fairchild.
St. Paul's, Cincinnati—D. K. Cady, W. K. Bond, R. Skinner.
Trinity, Cincinnati—W. Drummond, T. Longworth, A. Todd.
St. Philip's, Circleville—T. C. Jones, H. Swearingen, S. A. Moore.
St. Paul's, Cleveland—H. White, H. B. Tuttle, H. L. Noble.
Trinity, Cleveland—W. W. Vanness, S. F. Lester.
St. Luke's, Columbia—O. Clark, J. Squires, L. Nichols.
St. Paul's, Columbus—K. H. Van Rensselaer, T. Sparrow, J. F. Smith.
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls—R. Clapp, L. Gilbert, G. Parks.
St. Peter's, Delaware—D. Dyke, L. H. Cowles, C. Howard.
Zion, Dresden—G. W. Adams, W. H. Cox, A. Clements.
St. Andrew's, Elyria—R. Starr, H. C. Safford, A. P. Dayton.
Harcourt, Gambier—J. S. Sawer, L. Holmes, G. W. Myers.
St. Luke's, Granville—G. B. Johnson, S. N. Sanford.
Christ, Hudson—F. Brown, J. S. Wallace.
Trinity, Lyme—J. Clark, N. M. Wheeler.
St. Matthew's, Madison—C. Long, R. Armstrong, T. Armstrong.
Grace, Mansfield—E. W. Dietrich, Z. S. Stocking.
St. Timothy's, Massillon—C. K. Skinner, K. Jarvis, T. McCullough.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—E. Alling, H. S. Miller.
St. Paul's, Norwalk—P. Benedict, G. P. Birdseye, S. Patrick.
St. James', Painesville—D. D. Aiken, A. Thompson.
Christ, Penfield—B. Andrews, L. Jones.
Grace, Pomeroy—E. Saul, C. Minturn.
All Saints', Portsmouth—J. G. Firmstone, S. R. Ross, W. Kinney.
St. Paul's, Steubenville—J. H. Veirs, A. Bustard, M. Andrews.
St. Philip's, Strongsville—J. Adams, G. Johnstone.
Epiphany, Urbana—B. S. Judd, J. Moore, W. F. Slater.
Christ, Warren—U. B. White, E. Smith.
St. John's, Worthington—C. E. Burr, E. Gilbert.
St. James', Zanesville—M. M. Granger, M. Hamilton.

When the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members of the Convention:

J. S. Swearingen,
O. T. Reeves,
E. Adams,
J. Haskell,
H. B. Kennedy,
D. W. Fairchild,
N. G. Pendleton,
H. Probasco,
D. K. Cady,
W. K. Bond,
R. Skinner,
T. C. Jones,
H. White,
H. B. Tuttle,
H. L. Noble,
W. W. Vanness,
S. F. Lester,
L. Nichols,
K. H. Van Rensselaer,
D. Dyke,
G. W. Adams,
A. Clements,
A. P. Dayton,
J. S. Sawer,
G. B. Johnson,
E. W. Dietrich,
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H. S. Miller,
P. Benedict,
D. D. Aiken,
A. Thompson,
J. G. Firmstone,
S. R. Ross,
J. Moore,
C. E. Burr,
E. Gilbert,
M. M. Granger,
—37.

The Chair appointed the following Standing Committees:

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. Mr. Britton, and Mr. Benedict.
Committee on Finance—Rev. Dr. Wing, and Messrs. S. Swearingen and D.D. Aiken.
Committee on Missions—Rev. A. Clark, Rev. G. S. Davis, and Mr. J. Haskell.
Committee on Canons—Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Mr. Smallwood, and Messrs. N. G. Pendleton and W. K. Bond.

The Convention then listened to the

Bishop's Annual Address.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

By the gracious providence of God, we are permitted the pleasure of again meeting one another in our Diocesan Convention. May it be to the increase of our love one toward another; the revival of our zeal for God and His Church, and the quickening of our diligence in seeking the salvation of souls. May the town we meet in, and especially the parish in which we are guests, have reason to be thankful, like the house in which for a season rested the ark of the covenant, for blessings attending on the presence of the representative body of our diocesan Church, and especially for the presence and labors of so many ministers of the Gospel of Christ.

One of our former list of brethren in the ministry has gone away, and gone home to his rest in Christ since we last met. He was then lying extremely ill and beyond hope of recovery — I refer to the late Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland, the Rev. T. J. Carter. He had been but a short time in the ministry, but long enough to obtain the strong affection of his people and give promise of much faithfulness and usefulness in his work. His illness was of a very painful as well as lingering nature. His patience and cheerfulness under every trial were very edifying. He went down to death, leaning upon Christ and joyful in the comfort of his promises. His youthful widow, an example of faithful devo-

tedness to him during his illness, has recently followed him to the grave, and, we doubt not, to the rest which remaineth for the people of God.

The year since your last meeting, will be associated in our remembrance with the departure out of this life, of two of our Bishops—the Right Rev. CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS GADSDEN, Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, and the Right Rev. JOHN P. K. HENSHAW, Bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island. They will both be held in the affectionate remembrance of the Church in general, as well as of the Dioceses in which they labored. With the former, my personal acquaintance was only such as could be formed by meeting him on occasions of official duty, which brought us together at long periods, and after we had both been placed in the episcopal office. But it was impossible to see him, even thus unfrequently, without being impressed with the sterling honesty, the great purity, the singleness of purpose, and the self-forgetfulness which marked his character. He lived for his work, and he worked while he lived. His life and his work were one. With Bishop Henshaw, my acquaintance during many years of his ministry, was much more intimate. He preceded me a few years in the ministry. We were rectors of the same parish—that of St. Ann's, Brooklyn; and for a considerable period we were not only connected with the same diocese, that of Maryland, but very closely associated together in labors of love for the cause of our Master. He was then the Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, and a most earnest preacher and promoter, in his parish, and in the diocese, of evangelical truth, under those aspects, especially, in which I love to see it enforced. His ministry was there greatly blessed in the conversion of sinners to God, and in the education of Christians to every good work of active zeal in the cause of Christ. Since then, being separated by long distances, we have seldom met but at General Conventions. But I heard of his death as that of a brother

greatly beloved, with whom many of the fondest recollections of my ministry were associated; in whose views, and feelings, and labors, I had then found a lively sympathy with my own; a brother with whom I had often prayed and consulted in seasons of trial to both; whom God had made of eminent usefulness in bringing sinners to Christ and his salvation; whose talents and judgment qualified him for still greater service, and who, though now dead, will long live in the affectionate remembrance of the many children of God, who must ever ascribe their being brought out of darkness and condemnation into the light and hope of the Gospel, under God, to his ministry.

Since the last Convention, my visitations have been as follows: St. Paul's, Cleveland; Trinity Church, Columbus; St. Paul's, Columbus; St. Peter's, Delaware; Grace Church, Berkshire; St. John's, Worthington; All Saints', Portsmouth; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. John's, Ohio City; St. Stephen's, East Liverpool; St. Paul's, Steubenville; Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. James', Painesville; St. Michael's, Unionville; St. Peter's, Ashtabula; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; Trinity, Jefferson; St. Paul's, Euclid; Grace Church, Mansfield; Trinity, Cincinnati; Trinity, Lyme; St. Paul's, Bellevue; Trinity, Toledo; St. Paul's, Maumee City; St. Paul's, Fremont; St. Paul's, Marion; Epiphany, Urbana; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Dayton; St. James', Zanesville; Zion Church, Dresden; St. Matthew's, Madison; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. James', Wooster; St. Paul's, Medina; Trinity, Cleveland; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Stephen's, Grafton; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. Luke's, Granville; Harcourt, Gambier; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; St. Matthew's, Perry; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. James', Piqua; Trinity, Troy; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. James', Kingston; St. Paul's, Chillicothe.

The confirmations during these visitations, have been as follows: St. Paul's, Cleveland, 13; Trinity, Columbus, 6; St. Paul's, Co-

lumbus, 5; Grace Church, Berkshire, 2; St. John's, Worthington, 2; All Saints', Portsmouth, 20; St. Luke's, Marietta, 7; St. John's, Ohio City, 17; St. Paul's, Steubenville, 27; Christ Church, Cincinnati, 4; St. James', Painesville, 3; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, 20; Grace Church, Mansfield, 8; Trinity, Cincinnati, 3; Trinity, Lyme, 6; St. Paul's, Bellevue, 3; Trinity, Toledo, 5; St. Paul's, Marion, 8; Epiphany, Urbana, 5; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 21; Christ Church, Dayton, 14; St. James', Zanesville, 7; St. Mark's, Mill Creek, 2; St. Paul's, Medina, 15; Trinity, Cleveland, 4; on the same day a sick person, belonging to St. Paul's, Cleveland; St. Luke's, Columbia, 4; St. Andrew's, Elyria, 3; St. Luke's, Granville, 4; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, 2; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 6; St. Matthew's, Perry, 7; St. Paul's, Greenville, 1; Trinity, Troy, 3; St. Philip's, Circleville, 8; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, 7.

Since the last Convention, I have ordained to the office of Presbyter, the Rev. E. A. Strong, Rector of St. Luke's, Granville, and the Rev. John Boyd, Rector of St. Luke's, Marietta; and to the office of Deacon, the Rev. Mark Richard Jukes, the Rev. Daniel Risser, Rev. Jas. E. Pattison, Rev. Columbus S. Doolittle, and Rev. David C. Maybin. The last was a candidate for orders in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and having pursued his studies in our Theological Seminary, was ordained by me at the request of the Bishop of that Diocese.

The candidates for orders, at present connected with this diocese, are—George E. Thrall, Francis Granger, Joseph E. Ryan, Benjamin K. Maltby, Thomas Corlett, James Trimble, Noah H. Schenck, Daniel Woods, John Trimble, Senr., Chas. W. Fearns, John Hochuly, Henry Morrel, H. D. Lathrop, Peter Neff, Jr.—14.

There have left the Diocese, by letters dimissory, the Rev. Benjamin Austin, removed to Massachusetts; Rev. J. Rice Taylor, to Kentucky; Rev. Chauncey Colton, D.D., to Mississippi; Rev. Geo.

D. Gillespie, and Rev. Thos. P. Tyler, to Western New York; and Rev. John Swan to Michigan.

There have been added to the Diocese by letters dimissory, the Rev. John W. Clark, from the Diocese of New York, who is now Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. John E. Battin, from the Diocese of Wisconsin, who is now minister of St. James' Church, Painesville; Rev. R. S. Nash, from the Diocese of Virginia; Rev. Jas. C. Tracy, who is now Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland, from the Diocese of Maryland; Rev. Spencer Wall, now residing at West Lodi, Seneca county, from the Diocese of Louisiana; Rev. T. W. Clapp, Deacon, residing near Fremont, from the Diocese of Vermont; Rev. James McElroy, who is now Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware, from the Diocese of Virginia; Rev. Dudley A. Tyng, who is now Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati, from the Diocese of Virginia.

The following changes of residence and of connection on the part of the clergy, have taken place within the Diocese: The Rev. Eli Adams has resigned St. Paul's, Euclid, remaining connected with other parishes as before. The Rev. Albert Bingham has resigned the place of assistant minister of St. Peter's, Ashtabula. The Rev. Alfred Blake has resigned his connection with Christ Church, Cincinnati, and has removed to Gambier, where he has established a classical school of high promise and prospects, called the Harcourt Place. The Rev. E. H. Cumming has resigned St. Paul's, Akron, and become Rector of St. Timothy's, Massillon. The Rev. Wm. C. French has resigned St. Peter's, Delaware, and taken charge of St. John's, Worthington. The Rev. Humphrey Hollis has resigned his place of missionary at Trinity, Jefferson, and St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and has taken charge as missionary, of St. James', Cross Creek, and St. John's, East Springfield. The Rev. Abraham Wheeler has resigned St. Stephen's, Grafton.

On the 13th of January last, having received from the Rev. Henry L. Richards, in a letter dated January 11th, his renunciation of the ministry of this church, I proceeded, under and according to the provisions of the Vth Canon of the General Convention of 1850, to displace him from said ministry.

I attended in August the annual examinations of our Theological Seminary, and of Kenyon College. It was a great pleasure to meet a considerable number of the Clergy of the Diocese, attending the examinations. Four of the committee appointed at the last Convention to give attendance on that occasion, were present, and diligent in the discharge of the duty assigned them, viz: the Rev. Dr. Muenscher and the Rev. Mr. Winthrop, with Messrs. N. G. Pendleton and S. N. Sanford. I never witnessed a commencement of the College so well attended either by clergy or laity, and the exercises of the graduating class were uncommonly creditable both to the Institution and its pupils. I trust that hereafter we shall see at every such annual exhibition and examination, a strong expression of the interest felt in the Diocese in those exceedingly important Institutions, by a large attendance of clergy and laity. Few things have so encouraging and stimulating an influence on students and instructors. Hitherto there has been a sad, a deadening deficiency in this respect. The change at the recent examination was reviving. Let it be but the beginning of much better things. The facilities of getting to Gambier from almost all parts of the Diocese, have become such as leaves us without the excuse which formerly was urged with too much reason.

The examinations of the Theological Seminary were indicative of the faithfulness of the Professors and the diligence of the students. In the College and Preparatory School, it was manifest that the grade of scholarship and the zeal of attainment, were undergoing a decided elevation. This was particularly observable, where before

it was most required—in the department of classical literature. The eminent Professor in that department, seconded by the instruction in the Preparatory School, has succeeded in giving a new impulse to the study of the Greek and Latin languages, and certainly the advancement of the classes therein during the short period in which he has had charge of them, is such as to inspire us with confidence that the students of Kenyon College will excel in that most necessary basis of intellectual discipline and genuine scholarship. I have never felt the same strength of encouragement, the same assurance of hope as to the prosperity and future strength and usefulness of our institutions at Gambier, as I do at present. The embarrassments, so associated with their past history, are now removed. When a little more of the payments soon to be due upon the sale of lands, shall have come in, the last dollar of debt will be paid. The sales of land have been more favorable than was anticipated—and the portions remaining to be sold, will sell, it is expected, still more advantageously, so that not only will the institutions be free, but provided with a valuable fund, from the interest of which, improvements may be made from year to year in all their facilities for usefulness.

I am happy to inform the Convention that the endowment of two professorships, one of them on a plan approved and recommended by this body at its last session, has been completed. By the enlarged benevolence of a single individual, a sum of ten thousand dollars was given as the endowment of one, and by the divine blessing upon the diligence of the agent employed, another sum of ten thousand dollars, in purchase of scholarship scrip, has been raised for the other. For these and all the other blessings which our institutions have recently received, relieving them from difficulties and enlarging their means of usefulness in the service of education and of the Gospel, we have great reason to be thankful to Him to whom they have been consecrated, and whose favor is the

life which we earnestly covet in their behalf. Let us read in these mercies a new call upon the clergy and laity of the Diocese to unite their best interests and efforts around our College and Theological Seminary, with the determination that nothing on their part shall be wanting to make them all that is required of them by the peculiar character of the age we live in, and the wants of the Church of Christ.

At the last General Convention, a resolution to alter the Vth Article of the Constitution of the Church, was adopted by both houses, and directed to be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions. The proposed change consists in the omission of the 3d paragraph of the Article, which provides that no new diocese shall be formed out of any existing diocese, unless a certain number of square miles and a certain number of Presbyters be contained therein, and unless a certain number of square miles and of Presbyters remain to the Diocese out of which the new one is taken. The alteration contemplates the leaving the formation of new dioceses out of old ones without any special restriction as to territory and number of clergy. This is a subject of much importance and must be voted on by your delegates at the next General Convention. It may now be taken into consideration, or deferred to another year, at your pleasure.

And now, my brethren, commending your present meeting to the blessing of the grace of God, that it may be in all things such as becometh a meeting of Christian men and Christian ministers, to consult concerning the great interests of the Church of Christ and the souls of men, I bid you proceed, in his name, to the faithful performance of the duties which have brought you together.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE.

The Convention then adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th, 1852.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment, at nine o'clock, and engaged in devotional exercises.

The roll of the clergy and laity was called, and the minutes of previous day were read, amended and approved.

The Chair appointed the Rev. E. Burr on the Committee of Finance, in place of Rev. Dr. Wing, declined on account of ill health.

The Committee on Credentials presented the names of the following additional Lay Delegates:

Grace Church, Cleveland—D. E. Field, E. W. Palmer, C. J. Woolson.

Whereupon said names were called, and none found to be present.

Wm. Key Bond, from St. Paul's, Cincinnati, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the sale of the real estate, and to the financial condition of the Theological School and Kenyon College, be referred to a committee consisting of ———, who shall have power, and are hereby instructed to ascertain the quantity of real estate sold, under the authority heretofore given for that purpose, and the whole amount of such sale or sales, also the amount of debts which have been paid by the proceeds of such sales, and the balance of all debts remaining to be paid; and the said committee are hereby further instructed to prepare and report, for the consideration of the Convention, such plan or system for the safe investment of all moneys, whether arising from the sales aforesaid, or from any other source, and intended for the endowment of the Institutions aforesaid, as may seem best calculated to secure and keep sacred the principal, and at the same time yield the best income.

And in order to present a true sketch of the whole amount of all contributions heretofore made for the said Institutions, the said committee are hereby further authorized, as far as it is practicable to do so, to ascertain the same, together with the whole amount of the cost of all buildings and substantial improvements on the real estate and premises of Gambier Hill, and include the same in their report.

And in order that these inquiries and report may be made on full consideration, the said committee are hereby authorized to meet at such time and place as to them may seem expedient, and from time to time adjourn at their discretion, and submit their report at the next annual meeting of this Convention, for its consideration.

Rev. E. H. Cumming offered an amendment, that the following words be inserted after the blank: "together with a committee of the Board of Trustees."

Rev. Mr. Fitch offered a motion to lay the resolution on the table until after recess, but by request of Mr. Bond, withdrew the same to give opportunity for additional remarks.

Leave of absence was granted for the remainder of the session to Mr. Dietrich, a lay delegate from Grace Church, Mansfield.

On motion, the Convention took a recess till three o'clock, p. m.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

After the opening of the Convention with religious exercises, the Convention proceeded to business.

The rolls were called, and the following additional clergymen answered to their names and took their seats:

Rev. Messrs. Blake, Burton, and Preston.

The Bishop gave notice that immediately after the opening of the Convention to-morrow morning, he should call for the Parochial Reports.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following additional Lay Delegates:

Grace Church, Berkshire—D. Calhoun, J. Cooper, J. P. Crawford.
Trinity Church, Columbus—J. R. Swan, J. W. Andrews, A. H. Pinney.
St. James' Church, Kingston—W. Robinson, E. Benton, G. W. Patterson.
St. Paul's Church, Medina—W. H. Canfield, R. Thayer, I. Bronson.
St. John's Church, Ohio City—D. Griffith, G. L. Chapman, W. B. Castle.

These names being called by the Secretary, the following were found to be present:

D. Calhoun,	J. W. Andrews,	E. Benton,
J. R. Swan,	W. Robinson,	I. Bronson.

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day,

being the resolution of Mr. Bond relative to the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College.

Rev. T. B. Fairchild moved the following as a substitute for the amendment of Mr. Cumming, which was accepted by the latter, and also by the mover of the original resolution: Insert after the blank, the words, "to confer with the Board of Trustees."

Rev. G. S. Davis moved to amend by striking out all before the word "instructed," and insert instead the words, "*Resolved*, That the Trustees be," &c. Withdrawn.

Moved, by T. C. Jones, that the resolution and amendment be referred to a special committee of three.

Rev. Dr. Brooke proposed the following as a substitute for the several matters now before the House:

Resolved, That a committee of ——— be appointed to confer with the Board of Trustees, and make a full and detailed report of the financial condition of the Institution, and also report such a plan as they deem most expedient for investing the funds of said Institution.

This resolution not being seconded, the motion to refer was put to the House, and adopted; and the Chair appointed on the committee, Messrs. T. C. Jones, J. W. Andrews, and H. Probasco.

Rev. A. Clark moved a reconsideration. Lost.

Rev. W. R. Nicholson offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee to consist of three be appointed by the Chair, to nominate to the Convention, at an early period in the morning session of to-morrow, a Board of Trustees for the Theological Seminary, whose report shall lie over as the order of the day for half past three o'clock, to-morrow afternoon.

W. K. Bond moved the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock, the Convention go into the election of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, after a *viva voce* nomination.

Lost.

The original resolution of Mr. Nicholson was then passed, and the Chair appointed the following

Committee of Nominations—Rev. Mr. Nicholson, Rev. G. S. Davis, and C. E. Burr.

After which the Convention adjourned to nine o'clock on Friday morning.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th, 1852.

At nine o'clock, a. m., agreeably to adjournment, the Convention was called to order, and after devotional exercises and the calling of the roll, proceeded to business.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following additional Lay Delegates:

Christ Church, Dayton—R. Lane, L. Giddings, I. F. Howells.
St. James' Church, Piqua—M. G. Mitchell, W. Y. Strong, W. Knowles.

These names being called, none were found present.

The Bishop then called for the Reports of the Clergy and Parishes, which were presented and laid on the table. [See Appendix.]

The Committee appointed for that purpose reported that they had nominated the following persons as a Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary:

Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	Elisha T. Sterling,
" W. A. Smallwood,	Henry B. Curtis,
" E. Burr,	Joseph R. Swan,
" J. Muenscher, D.D.,	N. G. Pendleton,
" T. M. Smith, D. D.,	James Hall,
" J. B. Britton,	Rollin C. Hurd.

The Committee appointed to attend Examinations at Gambier presented the following Report:

The Committee on Kenyon College and Theological Seminary, respectfully report: That, in pursuance of their duty, the undersigned repaired to Gambier, and during commencement week and the one immediately preceding, spent several hours a day in attending the annual examinations, which, both in science and literature, were very creditable to the Institution. The committee fully agree with the Bishop in the opinion which, in his address to this Convention, he has expressed concerning Professor Trimble and his son, in regard to their admirable instructions in the classics. They have succeeded not only in thoroughly

drilling the young men, but also in awakening their literary enthusiasm. The other professorships are still filled by the able gentlemen with whom we have long been acquainted.

The committee thought that, among the Theological students, there was room for improvement in pulpit elocution, and would respectfully suggest to the professors to take into consideration the inquiry whether something could not be done to give increased effectiveness to the training in that very important branch. It is true that, in regard to the preaching of the gospel, the treasure is in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of men, but, other things being equal, we may reasonably expect that our heavenly Father will bless most abundantly that kind of preaching which, both in regard to manner and matter, is best fitted to move the human mind, convert the sinner, and sanctify the believer.

In regard to Gambier, as a desirable place for the education of youth, the advantages are too well known to require that much should be said. No village in the Western country, perhaps none in the United States, is healthier or more free from temptation. In consequence of the sale of a portion of the lands there has been an accession of persons of intelligence and piety, who must necessarily exert a wholesome moral influence upon the young men. The students cannot but feel that, in these circumstances, they have a character, as gentlemen, to sustain in the view of those Christian families whose good opinion they would be sorry to lose.

The last catalogue gives the names of thirty-nine undergraduates. Of these seven were on scholarship scrip, six were residents of Gambier, and twenty-three paid the ordinary tuition. Three of the number were not present the last term. In the grammar school there were forty. Of these, nine were residents of Gambier, three of whom were exempt from the payment of tuition, ten were on scholarship scrip, fourteen paid the ordinary sum for instruction through the year, and seven were present during but a part of the year.

By the payment of two hundred dollars in installments, one may obtain a perpetual scholarship which entitles the holder of the scrip to educate one student at a time, either at the grammar school or College, as long as those institutions are in existence; for one hundred and ten dollars, a scholarship for eight years; for sixty dollars, one for four years; and for thirty-six dollars, one for two years. Here is a noble opportunity for the exertion of Christian benevolence. By a little liberality on the part of the wealthy, how many promising young men might thus be prepared for extensive usefulness.

The committee are happy to say that the College is now entirely free from pecuniary embarrassment, and that, in their judgment, its prospects are better than at any former period.

As a matter of interest connected with Kenyon College, though not precisely in the line of duty assigned them by the last Convention, your committee would also remark that at Gambier the Rev. Mr. Blake has a flourishing classical school, which, for thorough instruction and efficient discipline, of a firm but parental character, is excelled by no similar institution in the country. His assistants are two gentlemen of the highest literary attainments, who are preparing for the ministry of the

Protestant Episcopal Church, and one of whom was formerly a tutor in the College. Mr. Blake, who takes but a limited number, has at present twenty boys in his school, most of whom are from Cincinnati; and parents may be assured that their sons will there receive every possible advantage in respect to intellectual culture and moral training.

The committee were exceedingly pleased with their visit at Gambier, where they were received with great kindness, courtesy and hospitality.

This condensed statement of the result of their recent labors is hereby, with great respect, presented by the committee for the consideration of the Convention.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Chairman.*
JOSEPH MUENSCHER,
N. G. PENDLETON.

I cheerfully concur in the above report, so far as it relates to the time during which I was present at the examinations.

WM. A. SMALLWOOD.

On motion, the report was accepted, and the thanks of the Convention were returned to those members of the Committee who had discharged the duties assigned them.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following report, which was accepted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that two or three subjects of great importance have been found by them in such a situation as to require the action of this Convention.

On page 26 of the Journal of 1851 will be found the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business of the previous Convention, in relation to a proposed Canon on Lay Discipline, which was referred to the Committee on Canons, and was by them proposed to be taken up at the last Convention. This report we find was taken up, and on page 30 reference is again made to it, and it was finally referred to a select committee, consisting of Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Rev. Dr. Bronson, and Messrs. Pendleton, Hall and Jarvis, to report to this Convention.

On page 31, we find that Mr. S. W. Ely proposed the following, as a prefix to Canon X; which was referred to the Committee on Canons: "Sect. 1. In order that no congregation shall be without the church service, unless in exigences unavoidable, the Bishop shall appoint one or more Lay Readers, from persons recommended for that office by the Rector or Wardens of each Parish, but none," &c. Upon which no action was had.

On page 39, we find the following resolution: "*Resolved*, That a new committee on Assessments be appointed, to take the matter into consideration during the recess of the Convention, and ascertain as near as may be the comparative ability of the parishes, and report to the next Convention;" and that Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Rev. Dr. Wing and Mr. Noble, were appointed that committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. BRITTON, } *Committee.*
PLATT BENEDICT, }

Rev. Mr. Smallwood, from the special Committee on Assessments appointed at the last Convention, presented a report; which was referred, without reading, to the Committee on Finance, and the Committee increased to five, by the appointment of Rev. Mr. Smallwood and Mr. S. R. Ross.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher offered the following resolution; which, at his request, was laid on the table:

Resolved, That the next Convention of this Church be held in St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Dr. Muenscher also offered the following; which, on his motion, was referred to the standing Committee on Missions.

Resolved, That the standing Committee on Missions be instructed to inquire into the expediency of recommending the appointment of a missionary at large in this Diocese for the ensuing year.

Rev. Mr. Britton moved that the subject of a change in the Constitution of the General Church, alluded to in the Address of the Bishop and in the following communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

PHILADELPHIA, *January*, 1852.

To the REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio.

MY DEAR SIR:

As Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of 1850, I send you the following copy of a proposed Amendment of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which I hereby certify to be a true transcript from the Journal of the Convention aforesaid, and request you to lay it before the Convention of which you are Secretary. It was proposed and approved in both Houses of the late General Convention, and will come up for ratification at the session of 1853.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE.

Proposed Amendment of Article V. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A., as agreed upon in General Convention, 1850.

(See Journal, pp. 72, 83, 85.)

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the Fifth Article of the Constitution, the following Article:

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions:

No new Diocese shall be formed, or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each Diocese concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concurring, the above amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

[The amendment consists in *omitting* the third paragraph of said Article V—which reads:]

"No such new Diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than eight thousand square miles in one body, and thirty presbyters, who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Dioceses shall be so reduced as to contain less than eight thousand square miles, or less than thirty Presbyters, who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned."

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented his Annual Report, which was accepted and referred to the Committee on Finance. [See Appendix.]

On motion of Rev. Mr. Stout,

Resolved, That a committee of —— be appointed to devise a plan for the endowment of the Episcopate, and report to the next Convention.

The Bishop then read "Canon IV — Of Defunct Parishes," and reported the following parishes as in his opinion essentially defunct, viz:

St. John's, Dover; St. Albans', Decrsville; and Advent, Canton.

Whereupon, the Convention, by a vote of two-thirds in each instance respectively, proceeded to dissolve said

parishes, and they were declared to be no longer in union with this Convention.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canon XVI, appointed at last Convention, be discharged, and a new committee be appointed, with authority to report at the next Convention.

The resolution was amended by substituting, that the same committee be continued, and then adopted.

Rev. Mr. Blake, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, read his Annual Report, which was referred to the standing Committee on Missions. [See Appendix.]

Leave of absence was granted several gentlemen during the remainder of the session.

The Convention then took a recess.

TWO AND A HALF O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention reassembled, and engaged in prayer.

The calling of the roll dispensed with.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following as in order:

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon—Rollin C. Hurd.

Mr. Hurd answered to his name and took his seat.

The following resolution was laid on the table:

Resolved, That the next Convention will meet in All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to deposit with the Secretary of the Convention, $25, to enable him to prepay postage on Journals and correspondence.

J. W. Andrews offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the time for holding the Conventions of this Diocese, to the Wednesday next after the 20th of September.

Mr. T. C. Jones, from the special Committee on the various matters introduced relative to the Theological Seminary, offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the sale of the real estate and the financial condition of the Theological School and Kenyon College, be referred to a committee consisting of ——— members, with instructions to confer with the Board of Trustees, and to make a full and detailed report on the financial condition of the said Institutions; and that said committee also report what plan has been adopted or proposed by the said Board, for investing the funds of the Institutions, together with the opinion of the said committee thereon—the report of the committee to be made to the Convention at its next session.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College be requested to report to this Convention at its next session, the quantity of real estate sold by said Board, the total proceeds of such sales, the amount of debts paid out of the proceeds of these sales, and the amount of debts still remaining unpaid: That said Board also report a true statement of all contributions heretofore made to the said Institutions, and, as far as it is practicable to do so, that said Board also report the total cost of all buildings and substantial improvements on the real estate at Gambier Hill.

The order of the day was suspended for a time, after which the Convention went into the election of a Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

Rev. J. B. Britton withdrew his name.

The following additional nominations were made:

By W. K. Bond,.....Rufus King, Esq.
" Rev. Mr. Britton,.....Rev. A. Clark.
" Rev. Dr. Brooke,.....Rev. James McElroy.
" Rev. Dr. Muenscher,.....Dr. J. W. Russell.
" Rev. E. Burr,.....Washington Kinney.

Several other nominations were made, which were withdrawn by the nominees.

The Chair appointed Rev. Mr. Fairchild and I. Bronson tellers.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Nicholson,

Resolved, That the election of Deputies to the next General Convention be indefinitely postponed.

The Convention took up the several propositions relative to the place of meeting of the next Convention, and on motion of Rev. Mr. McElroy,

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Britton, the Convention reconsidered the action heretofore had on the subject of Lay Discipline, and the amendment of Canon XVI.

The same gentleman introduced the following:

Resolved, That as the minister of a parish is fully authorized, under the rubric, to act in all cases which may call for discipline, in the present advanced state of morals and religion, no further legislation is required on the subject.

Laid on the table, and the whole subject recommitted.

The Convention reäppointed as the Committee of Examinations at Gambier, the same individuals as last year. [See List of Officers, &c. for 1852–3.]

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to publish 750 copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The Tellers reported that the following gentlemen were elected as members of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary:

OF THE CLERGY.	OF THE LAITY.
Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	Elisha T. Sterling,
" W. A. Smallwood,	Henry B. Curtis,
" E. Burr,	Joseph R. Swan,
" J. Muenscher, D.D.,	N. G. Pendleton,
" T. M. Smith, D.D.,	Washington Kinney,
	Rollin C. Hurd,

and that there was a tie in the vote for the remaining clerical member to be elected.

Before concluding the election, Convention adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 1852.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in the Litany and other prayers.

Calling of the roll dispensed with—the minutes read, amended and approved.

Several members had leave of absence.

The order of the day was suspended to hear the report of the Missionary and Education Committee:

The Missionary and Education Committee report to the Convention, that during the past year they have made appropriations to eleven missionaries and seven beneficiaries—amounting in all to $1,650. Of this sum, $200 were given (as in the year previous) by Christ Church, Cincinnati, as a special appropriation to the Missionary in charge of Trinity Parish, Cincinnati; the committee having acted merely as the agent of Christ Church in its disbursement.

The Treasurer's report shows that $598.41 were paid as arrearages at the beginning of the year now closing; the appropriations of the year previous having been $2,172.50. For the year now closing, there remain in arrears $548.42; the appropriations having been $1,650. So that while the appropriations of the previous year were larger, by a sum exceeding $500, than those of the year just ending, we find the lamentable fact that the arrearages of the two years have resulted nearly equally. The actual amount now in arrears is less than that last reported, by about $50; but when it is considered that the appropriations have been so greatly less, we revert with most melancholy force to the shameful delinquencies of the Diocese. There have been contributed, for the purposes of the committee, a little over $100 more than during the year before; yet forty-one parishes have given nothing, being eleven more than those so reported at the last Convention.

How is it possible to resist the impression that a dreadful apathy has settled down upon a remarkably large proportion of our churches in this Diocese? The spirit of Missions is the spirit of the Gospel; and when so much inefficiency is shown, it is seriously to be considered whether there be not in all this backwardness toward the missionary work in our midst, a solemn call of both clergy and laity to humiliation and prayer.

The committee scarcely know what to hazard in the way of remedial suggestions. They venture to call the attention of the Convention to the following points:

First, The receipts of the Treasurer for the year, amounted to a trifle over $1,700, whereas the appropriations of the committee were $1,650. Now if it were not necessary to use so large a portion of our receipts in the liquidation of arrearages, the cause of Missions and Education could be and would be much more vigorously prosecuted. Suppose that the $548.42 now pressing like an incubus upon the energies of the committee, were separately and efficiently disposed of, and that the receipts of the coming year should be no more than those of the present—it is at once seen that then our pecuniary ability would fairly measure all contracted responsibilities, and that the committee's freedom of action would be much greater, while the extent of the work would gradually and easily increase. Can not some arrangement be made whereby these arrearages shall be separately cared for?

Secondly, We would urge the appointment of a missionary agent or agents, to travel through the Diocese, visit the parishes, and in coöperation with the respective rectors, to bring the cause before the people with all that special urgency and that personal application which such a commission could not fail to bespeak and secure. It were better, indeed, that such agency were not needed — it would indicate the far more healthy existence of the parishes, a far more equable flow and development of the religious life. But as things are, the committee believe that extra-parochial influences must be brought to bear.

In conclusion, it would be in vain for the committee to attempt any expression of the painfulness, the agony of wounded sympathies, and the sense of wrong before God, which they have been forced to endure, while they have postponed the appeals of the half-paid and sometimes almost destitute laborers in the Lord's vineyard. They sometimes feel as if they were in a condition somewhat analogous to that supposed by the Apostle — of one's saying to a brother, "be warmed and filled;" nothwithstanding he gives not those things which are needful to the body. Brethren, how dwelleth the love of God in this!

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Secretary.*

The report was accepted and laid on the table.

Dr. William Wood, of Cincinnati, was unanimously reëlected Treasurer of the Diocese, the ballot being dispensed with.

The order of the day being the election of the remaining clerical Trustee of the Theological Seminary, several nominations were made. On counting the ballots, the tellers reported that the Rev. James McElroy was duly elected.

The order of the day being the resolutions of the special Committee on the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, Mr. Ralston Skinner, from St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, offered the following resolutions as a substitute:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the sale of the real estate, and the financial condition of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio," be referred to a committee, consisting of ——— members; who are hereby instructed to confer with the Board of Trustees of said Seminary, and report back to this Convention, at its next session, a full and detailed report of the financial condition of said Seminary — the quantity of land sold by the Trustees of said Seminary — the terms of such sales and the cash proceeds thereof — the amount of debts of said Seminary paid out of the proceeds of these sales, and the amount of debts still remaining

unpaid, if any — also the best investment of the funds of said Seminary, that can, in the judgment of said Committee and said Trustees, be made, for the interest of said Seminary — also, a statement of all contributions heretofore made to said Seminary, with the names of the donors and the times of the donations — also, the total cost of all buildings and substantial improvements belonging to said Seminary at Gambier Hill.

Resolved, That the Trustees of said Seminary be requested to aid said Committee, by all the means in their power, and with such information as will enable said Committee to return to the Convention, at its next session, a report in accordance with the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Pendleton demanded the previous question.

The call for the previous question was sustained, and the question recurring on the original resolutions of the Committee, they were adopted—ayes 46, noes 5.

Rev. T. B. Fairchild called the attention of the Convention to the subject of the following paper, which was read by him:

WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, HERMON BRONSON, of Boston, Summit county and State of Ohio, for divers good and sufficient considerations me hereunto moving, and especially to provide a permanent income to the Protestant Episcopal minister for the time being, at "Bethel Church, Boston," in said county: do hereby covenant and agree to and with the Convention of the P. E. Church, in the Diocese of Ohio; to pay to it, or its authorized agents, within a reasonable time from the date hereof, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, in trust for the purpose aforesaid; that is to say, said convention to manage and take charge of the sum aforesaid, by placing the same at interest in a safe and judicious manner, and pay yearly, and every year, the income of minister for the time being; and if it should so happen that said income should for any length of time be not needed for that purpose, owing to there being no minister devoted to that church, then, and during that vacancy the fund shall accumulate, by adding interest to principal, until the desk is again supplied, when the current income of said fund, thus accumulated, shall again be applied to the said purpose of paying such minister; hereby meaning and intending to provide a permanent fund of fifteen hundred dollars in the manner above expressed, for the sole object of aiding in sustaining the preaching of the Gospel at all times hereafter, in said "Bethel Church, Boston."

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 30th day of July, A. D. 1852.

HERMON BRONSON. [L. S.]

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of the subscribers. THO'S B. FAIRCHILD, C. F. H. BIGGS.

On motion of Rev. W. R. Nicholson,

Resolved, That the paper just read by Rev. Mr. Fairchild be referred to a special committee, to consist of Judge Joseph R. Swan and John W. Andrews, Esq. of Columbus, for their advice relative to the disposition and safe investment of the funds therein conveyed to this Convention.

On motion, the blank in the first resolution of the Committee to whom was referred the various motions offered relative to Kenyon College, was filled with the word "three;" the Committee of Investigation to consist of two laymen and one clergyman. Convention proceeded to elect said Committee, when Messrs. John W. Andrews and T. C. Jones were unanimously elected, *viva voce*. For the clerical member of said Committee,

Rev Mr. Britton nominated Rev. Anson Clark.
Rev. Dr. Brooke " Rev. Lloyd Windsor.

The ballot was ordered, and Rev. Mr. Britton and E. Bentón appointed tellers.

The Bishop requested leave of absence for himself and other members of the Board of Trustees for a short time, which was granted, and by request of the Bishop, Rev. Mr. Winthrop took the Chair.

The tellers reported that Rev. Mr. Windsor had received the highest number of votes for the clerical member of the Gambier Committee, and the Convention thereupon confirmed his election unanimously.

The election of the standing Committee of the Diocese, and of the Missionary and Education Committee, was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock, p. m.

Mr. Andrews, from the select Committee on the paper presented by Rev. Mr. Fairchild, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild and Anson A. Brewster, be and they are hereby appointed a committee on the part of this Convention, to receive the money that shall be due upon the bond executed by Hermon Bronson, Esq., for the payment of fifteen hundred dollars, and to invest the same on bond and mortgage, in such manner as they shall deem best; and that they report their doings herein from time to time to the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, unanimously, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of St. Paul's Church,

and to the citizens of Chillicothe generally, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention.

The Convention went into the election of Trustees of the Episcopate Fund: the ballot was dispensed with, and Messrs. J. R. Swan, D. K. Cady and E. T. Sterling were elected unanimously.

Mr. D. D. Aiken moved that the proposed prefix to Canon X, on Lay Readers, noticed in the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, be referred to the Committee on Canons. Referred.

Moved to take a recess till 2 o'clock, p. m. Carried, and the Convention took a recess accordingly.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention reässembled—Bishop in the Chair, who offered several prayers, after which, proceeded to business.

The Bishop as President of the Theological Seminary, read the following Report of the "Charles D. Betts Library Fund," which was accepted:

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

Of the "Charles D. Betts Library Fund" of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

The Faculty of the Theological Seminary report to the Convention as follows:

Balance on hand, per last Report			$ 34 74
Received interest, due March 1 and Sept. 1, 1852,			100 00—$134 74
Paid for duty and freight of books from London	$8 07		
Transportation of books from New York	1 50		
Postage	03		
		—$9 60	
Balance of income on hand			$125 14

The following books have been purchased and in part received, being editions by the Ecclesiastical History Society of England, viz:

Heylin's History of the Reformation, edited by the Rev. J. C. Robertson, 2 vols., 8 vo.

Strype's Memorials of Cranmer, 2 vols., 8vo.

Wood's Athenæ Oxonenses, edited by Dr. Bliss, 1 vol., 8vo.

Book of Common Prayer, according to the Manuscript preserved in the Rolls Office, Dublin, 3 vols., 8vo.

Book of Common Prayer, according to the text of the Sealed Books, with notes, legal and historical, edited by A. J. Stephens, Esq., Barrister at Law, 3 vols., 8vo.

These books have not yet been paid for, because all of them have not yet been received.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
Pres. of Theol. Sem. of the Diocese of Ohio.

The standing Committee on Missions reported as below:

The Standing Committee on Missions have to regret, that they have been so long in getting possession of the documents necessary to the making out of their report, that but little time remains to them for considering the matters which they have in charge — far too little to admit of their receiving that amount of attention which their importance demands.

There are some facts, however, so obvious in the present state of our Missionary operations, and some reflections growing out of those facts so naturally, that but little time will be required in presenting *them* to the consideration of the Convention, and as our session is now so near its close, your committee would not suggest anything that will be likely to consume a large portion of the remaining time of the Convention.

We have this fact to contemplate: For several years in succession, each Missionary committee in its report, has presented the scene of a field "white unto the harvest," with here and there a reaper laboring in poverty and want, encouraged more by the consciousness that he is engaged in a good work, by the hope that the time will come when the laborer will be deemed "worthy of his hire," than by anything done for him adequately to supply his worldly wants, or by any prospect to be seen in the future, of a change for the better.

Your committee regret that such a state of facts should exist as necessarily makes their present report so much like its predecessors. It is surely time that we should have done with this annual tale of empty treasuries and unpaid Missionaries, of feeble parishes stretching out their hands for help, and compelled to withdraw them because no help can be had. With the means possessed by members of the church within the limits of the Diocese — means available for almost every variety of worldly objects, and which are readily drawn out under the stimulus of worldly motives, it would seem as if every benevolent enterprise which the church has attempted, could be carried on successfully, and that such a thing as being impeded by lack of pecuniary means, in accomplishing anything *in the present scale of operations*, were not to be reckoned at all in the category of possibilities.

But what would apparently be so impossible, is actually our present condition. Your committee would not spend time nor breath in lamentations over a fact which tells so much to the shame and dishonor of the church, and to the mortification of her truly pious and spiritually minded children. We want action which shall wipe out the disgrace of the past, and show that the spirit of Christ and his Apostles — that Mis-

sionary spirit in which the church first originated, and by which her best days will ever be characterized, has not yet been entirely absorbed by the overwhelming spirit of the world, and that there is yet some recollection, some heartfelt appreciation of that great duty which stands foremost among the obligations of the disciples of Jesus — the duty of giving the Gospel to the needy.

The Missionary Board are of the opinion, that if the present debt of $548, which now embarrasses their operations, were canceled, it would afford a good share of the relief that is needed. Your committee think that this suggestion should be acted upon, and that special effort should be made to raise means to meet this demand, from sources which will not diminish the usual income of the Board.

Your committee have also been requested, by resolution of this Convention, to inquire into the expediency of employing a Missionary at large for the Diocese. The Convention will see from the report of the Treasurer, that until present pecuniary difficulties are removed, no extension of operations can be contemplated, and yet, as a means of removing these difficulties, of securing enlarged contributions to the general object of Missions in the Diocese, and of extending the field which is at present occupied, the agency suggested might prove an important auxiliary. As a step towards accomplishing this, the Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati, the Rev. Mr. Tyng, has pledged his congregation for the payment of $200 to a special agent, to be employed in raising means to pay off the present indebtedness of the Board.

In view of the facts stated above, your committee would close their report by offering the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Board of Missions and Education for the Diocese of Ohio, to employ some suitable person to act as a Missionary at large for the Diocese, whose first duty shall be to solicit contributions for relieving the present indebtedness of the Board, as well as for enlarging the present receipts of the Treasury, and afterwards to act in the Missionary work under the direction of the Board — it being understood that the salary of said Missionary is to be paid, as far as may be, from donations specially made for that purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. CLARK,
G. S. DAVIS,
J. HASKELL,
Committee.

The report was accepted, and on motion of Dr. Brooke, the resolution and report were adopted.

The order of the day being the election of a Standing Committee, the following were nominated:

Rev. Dr. Smith,	A. G. Scott,
" Dr. Brooke,	M. White,
" Dr. Wing,	R. C. Hurd.

The ballot was dispensed with, and the nominations confirmed.

The same course was taken with reference to the Missionary and Education Committee, and the following were elected:

Rev. Mr. Denison,	Dr. J. W. Russell,
" Mr. Blake,	E. Alling,
" Dr. Muenscher,	Dr. Wm. Scott,
" Mr. Badger,	M. White.

The report of the Finance Committee was read and accepted:

The Committee on Finance have had the subjects committed to them under consideration, and report as follows:

They have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, with accompanying vouchers, and find them correct.

They have also given deliberate attention to the subject of the finances of the Diocese, and regret to report that the sum received for the support of the Episcopate, during the fiscal year now closing, falls *short* of the requisite amount, instead of exceeding it, as in the last two years. The amount of deficit is, indeed, small, but it was confidently expected that it would so far exceed the salary of the Episcopate as to leave a sum sufficient to meet a good part, if not all, the debt which accrued in former years—the amount of which is $560.57, which added to the deficit of the present year now terminating, viz: $63.35, will make the aggregate of $624.02. This indebtedness the honor and credit of the Diocese is concerned to discharge as soon as possible. How this shall be done your committee cannot devise, unless the amount required can be realized from the arrearages due from delinquent parishes, which arrearages amount at the present time to the sum of $635.51. If the Convention should think proper to continue the present Committee in their service during the ensuing year, or appoint another in its place, it is believed that by addressing the delinquent parishes by letter or by personal application, and presenting in strong terms the wants of the Diocese and the embarrassments which it suffers in consequence of such delinquencies, a considerable portion of the requisite amount might be obtained.

Your committee are deeply impressed with the difficulties of carrying out the existing plan of raising the salary of the Episcopate, and they earnestly hope that the committee appointed by the present Convention to consider the subject of raising a permanent fund for the endowment of the Episcopate, may be enabled to fix upon some plan, which in its results shall eventually supersede the present one, and relieve us of the difficulties and unpleasant circumstances atttending its operations.

Your committee, (at least some of them,) are inclined to believe that the appointment of an agent for soliciting contributions towards the formation of a fund of, say $10,000, during the ensuing year, would result, under the blessing of God, in the attainment of that object, whilst the completion of the required fund, say of $25,000 or $30,000, might be effected after an interval of five or ten years.

The Treasurer reports $377.50 received on the contingent fund. The expenses charged to that fund during the past year amount to the sum of $292.57, leaving a balance in hand of $84.93. Your committee would recommend that the same measures be taken to collect the arrearages of the contingent fund, inasmuch as that fund will soon be liable to heavy drafts upon it, on account of the expenses of the next General Convention.

In regard to an assessment of the parishes for the ensuing year, your committee have adopted, with some slight alterations, the schedule prepared by the committee appointed at the last Convention, and recently reported to this. It is as follows:

The committee appointed under a resolution of the last Convention, to take the matter of assessments into consideration during the recess, and ascertain, as nearly as may be, the comparative ability of the parishes, and report at this time, beg leave respectfully to submit as the result of their labors the following assessments of the various churches; which they believe will be just, in view of the ability of the parties, and, at the same time, will meet the wants of the Diocese:

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1852-3.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Continge't Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's	$25	$5
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	60	10
Bellevue, St. Paul's	10	2
Berkshire, Grace	8	2
Boardman, St. James'	12	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's	6	2
Centreville, St. David's	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	80	12
Cincinnati, Christ	250	50
Cincinnati, St. John's	100	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150	30
Cincinnati, Trinity	20	5
Circleville, St. Philip's	35	8
Cleveland, Grace	10	4
Cleveland, St. Paul's	80	10
Cleveland, Trinity	90	12
Columbia, St. Luke's	4	1
Columbus, St. Paul's	30	8
Columbus, Trinity	85	15
Cross Creek, St. James'	20	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Dayton, Christ	75	8
Delaware, St. Peter's	50	10
Dresden, Zion	10	2
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	3	1
East Plymouth, St. Matthew's	8	2
East Springfield, St. John's	10	2

ASSESSMENTS—*Continued.*

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingt Fund.
Euclid, St. Paul's	$8	$1
Elyria, St. Andrew's	3	2
Franklin, Christ	5	2
Fremont, St. Paul's	5	1
Gallipolis, St. Peter's	3	1
Gambier, Harcourt	40	6
Grafton, St. Stephen's	5	2
Granville, St. Luke's	20	4
Greenville, St. Paul's	4	2
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	2	2
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	2	1
Hudson, Christ	20	5
Huron, Christ	4	2
Jefferson, Trinity	5	1
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	4	1
Lyme, Trinity	8	1
Madison, St. Matthew's	8	2
Mansfield, Grace	15	4
Marietta, St. Luke's	25	5
Marion, St. Paul's	4	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's	45	10
Maumee City, St. Paul's	5	2
Medina, St. Paul's	35	5
Milan, St. Luke's	10	3
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	5	3
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	75	10
Newark, Trinity	35	10
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	10	5
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	6
Ohio City, St. John's	25	5
Painesville, St. James'	25	5
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel	3	1
Perry, St. Matthew's	4	2
Piqua, St. James'	60	10
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints'	75	10
Rome, St. Peter's	1	1
Roscoe, Immanuel	1	1
Sandusky City, Grace	65	10
Springfield, Christ	20	2
St. Clairsville, St Thomas'	5	1
Steubenville, St. Paul's	65	10
Strongsville, St. Philip's	6	1

ASSESSMENTS—*Continued.*

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingc't Fund.
Toledo, Trinity	$25	$5
Troy, Trinity	3	2
Unionville, St. Michael's	2	1
Urbana, Epiphany	10	2
Wakeman, St. John's	4	1
Warren, Christ	25	5
Wooster, St. James'	15	3
Worthington, St. John's	10	2
Zanesville, St. James'	85	12

WM. A. SMALLWOOD,
M. T. C. WING,
H. L. NOBLE,
} *Committee.*

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERASTUS BURR,
Chairman of Finance Committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. French, the arrears charged against St. Paul's Church, Steubenville, were ordered to be stricken out, the said charge having doubtless arisen in a mistake many years since.

On motion, the Finance Committee was continued, and instructed to correspond with delinquent parishes and report to next Convention.

The report was then adopted.

On motion of S. R. Ross,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered the Secretary, for the acceptable manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

Convention adjourned to meet after divine service this evening.

NINE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House convened after divine service; the reading of the roll was dispensed with.

The blank in the resolution on the endowment of the Episcopate was filled with the word "three," the committee to be composed of two laymen and one clergyman. N. G. Pendleton, Dr. Wood and Rev. E. Burr were nominated and elected said committee.

Rev. Mr. Fitch proposed, as an amendment to Article II of the Constitution, to strike out the words "on the second Wednesday of September in each year," and insert "on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention," which was approved, and lies over for the action of the next Convention.

The reading of the minutes of previous days' proceedings was dispensed with, and the journal for this day, up to the present time, read and approved.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to address a communication to the clergy, through the columns of the Diocesan paper, on the subject of the Convocational system.

After devotional exercises and the Apostolic benediction by the Bishop, the Thirty-fifth Annual Convention was declared, on motion, to be adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
President of the Convention and Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest:
WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

ROLL OF CLERGYMEN

WHO WERE ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THIS CONVENTION.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D.,

The Rev. ELI ADAMS,*
" " NORMAN BADGER,
" " JAMES E. BATTIN,
" " HIRAM N. BISHOP,
" " HENRY BLACKALLER,
" " ALFRED BLAKE,
" " JOHN BOYD,
" " JAMES B. BRITTON,
" " ABRAHAM BRONSON,*
" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,*
" " JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,
" " JOHN L. BRYAN,
" " ERASTUS BURR,
" " LEWIS BURTON,
" " ANSON CLARK,
" " JOHN W. CLARK,
" " E. H. CUMMING,
" " G. S. DAVIS,
" " GEORGE DENISON,*
" " THOMAS B. DOOLEY,
" " GEO. WASHINGTON DUBOIS,
" " ABRAHAM EDWARDS,
" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD,
" " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,
" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN,
" " WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

The Rev. RICHARD GRAY,
" " JOHN HALL,*
" " HUMPHREY HOLLIS,*
" " LEVI L. HOLDEN,
" " JAMES McELROY,
" " ALBERT T. McMURPHEY,
" " SAMUEL MARKS,*
" " INTREPID MORSE,*
" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,
" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH,
" " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON,
" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D.,*
" " ALANSON PHELPS,*
" " WILLIAM PRESTON,
" " CHANDLER ROBBINS,*
" " ALVAH SANFORD,*
" " WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD,
" " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D.,*
" " CHARLES B. STOUT,
" " GEORGE B. STURGES,*
" " E. A. STRONG,
" " JAMES C. TRACY,*
" " HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE,*
" " LLOYD WINDSOR,*
" " M. T. C. WING, D.D.,
" " EDWARD WINTHROP.

*Not in attendance.

ROLL OF LAY DELEGATES

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THIS CONVENTION.

Grace Church, Berkshire—D. Calhoun, J. Cooper, J. P. Crawford.
St. Paul's, Chillicothe—J. S. Swearingen, O. T. Reeves, E. Adams.
Christ, Cincinnati—N. G. Pendleton, H. Probasco, W. Richards.
St. John's, Cincinnati—J. Haskell, H. B. Kennedy, D. W. Fairchild
St. Paul's, Cincinnati—D. K. Cady, W. K. Bond, R. Skinner.
Trinity, Cincinnati—W. Drummond, T. Longworth, A. Todd.
St. Philip's, Circleville—T. C. Jones, H. Swearingen, S. A. Moore.
Grace, Cleveland—D. E. Field, E. W. Palmer, C. J. Woolson.
St. Paul's, Cleveland—H. White, H. B. Tuttle, H. L. Noble.
Trinity, Cleveland—W. W. Vanness, S. F. Lester.
St. Luke's, Columbia—O. Clark, J. Squires, L. Nichols.
St. Paul's, Columbus—K. H. Van Rensselaer, T. Sparrow, J. F. Smith.

Trinity, Columbus—J. R. Swan, J. W. Andrews, A. H. Pinney
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls—R. Clapp, L. Gilbert, G. Parks.
Christ, Dayton—R. Lane, L. Giddings, I. F. Howells.
St. Peter's, Delaware—D. Dyke, L. H. Cowles, C. Howard.
Zion, Dresden—G. W. Adams, W. H. Cox, A. Clements.
St. Andrew's, Elyria—R. Starr, H. C. Safford, A. P. Dayton.
Harcourt, Gambier—J. S. Sawer, L. Holmes, G. W. Myers.
St. Luke's, Granville—G. B. Johnson, S. N. Sanford.
Christ, Hudson—F. Brown, J. S. Wallace.
St. James', Kingston—W. Robinson, E. Benton, G. W. Patterson.
Trinity, Lyme—J. Clark, N. M. Wheeler.
St. Matthew's, Madison—C. Long, R. Armstrong, T. Armstrong.
Grace, Mansfield—E. W. Dietrich, Z. S. Stocking.
St. Timothy's, Massillon—C. K. Skinner, K. Jarvis, T. McCullough.
St. Paul's, Medina—W. H. Canfield, R. Thayer, I. Bronson.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—E. Alling, H. S. Miller, R. C. Hurd.
St. Paul's, Norwalk—P. Benedict, G. P. Birdseye, S. Patrick.
St. John's, Ohio City—D. Griffith, G. L. Chapman, W. B. Castle.
St. James', Painesville—D. D. Aiken, A. Thompson.
Christ, Penfield—B. Andrews, L. Jones.
St. James', Piqua—M. G. Mitchell, W. Y. Strong, W. Knowles.
Grace, Pomeroy—E. Saul, C. Minturn.
All Saints', Portsmouth—J. G. Firmstone, S. R. Ross, W. Kinney.
St. Paul's, Steubenville—J. H. Veirs, A. Bustard, M. Andrews.
St. Philip's, Strongsville—J. Adams, G. Johnstone.
Epiphany, Urbana—B. S. Judd, J. Moore, W. F. Slater.
Christ, Warren—U. B. White, E. Smith.
St. John's, Worthington—C. E. Burr, E. Gilbert.
St. James', Zanesville—M. M. Granger, M. Hamilton.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

ACTUALLY IN ATTENDANCE.

D. Calhoun,
J. R. Swan,
J. S. Swearingen,
O. T. Reeves,
E. Adams,
J. Haskell,
H. B. Kennedy,
D. W. Fairchild,
N. G. Pendleton,
H. Probasco,
D. K. Cady,
W. K. Bond,
R. Skinner,
T. C. Jones,
H. White,
J. W. Andrews,
W. Robinson,
H. B. Tuttle,
H. L. Noble,
W. W. Vanness,
S. F. Lester,
L. Nichols,
K. H. Van Rensselaer,
D. Dyke,
G. W. Adams,
A. Clements,
A. P. Dayton,
J. S. Sawer,
G. B. Johnson,
R. C. Hurd,
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A. Thompson,
J. G. Firmstone,
S. R. Ross,
J. Moore,
C. E. Burr,
E. Gilbert,
M. M. Granger,
H. Swearingen.

The following persons not entitled to seats, being present, were invited to sit as Honorary Members of the Convention, under the XVIth Rule of Order:

Of the Diocese of Ohio:

The Rev. ALBERT BINGHAM,
" " WM. NORMAN IRISH,
" " MARK RICHARD JUKES,
The Rev. RODNEY S. NASH,
" " DANIEL RISSER,
" " DUDLEY A. TYNG.

Of the Diocese of Western New York:

The Rev. WM. B. MUSGRAVE.

Of the Diocese of Pennsylvania:

The Rev. HENRY T. HIBBTER.

Of the 70 clergymen in the Diocese, 52 were present, 36 of whom were entitled to seats.

Of the 82 parishes in the Diocese, entitled to a lay representation of 246—only 41 elected delegates, and only 26 were represented in the Convention, by 45 delegates.

COMMITTEES, TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS,

FOR

1852-53.

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Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D.,
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" M. T. C. WING, D.D.,
A. G. SCOTT,
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HENRY B. CURTIS,
JOSEPH R. SWAN,
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JOHN W. ANDREWS,
THOMAS C. JONES,
Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS AT GAMBIER.

Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP,
" JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,
" WM. A. SMALLWOOD,
" S. A. BRONSON, D.D.,
S. N. SANFORD,
JOHN W. ANDREWS,
SENECA W. ELY,
N. G. PENDLETON,
C. P. BUCKINGHAM.

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" ALFRED BLAKE,	EBENEZER ALLING,
" JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,	DR. WILLIAM SCOTT,
" NORMAN BADGER,	MARDENBRO WHITE.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

JOSEPH R. SWAN,
D. K. CADY,
ELISHA T. STERLING.

COMMITTEE ON THE ENDOWMENT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

N. G. PENDLETON,
DR. WM. WOOD,
REV. ERASTUS BURR.

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE TO CORRESPOND WITH DELINQUENT PARISHES.

REV. ERASTUS BURR,	J. S. SWEARINGEN,
" WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD,	D. D. AIKEN.

S. R. ROSS.

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REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,	D. K. ESTE,
" JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,	COLUMBUS DELANO,
" WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD,	O. T. REEVES,
" ERASTUS BURR,	MATTHEW G. MITCHELL,

REV. ANSON CLARK.

SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

THE BISHOP, *ex officio*, PRESIDENT.
REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., SECRETARY,
GEORGE BROWNING, ESQ., TREASURER,
Mount Vernon.

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D.,
Cincinnati.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Post Office, Columbus.

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1853.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Communicants—last reported, 47; increased, by admission, 3: diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 11; by discipline, 1; present number, 35.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Foreign Missions—Jews $3, China $3; Diocesan Missions, $2.59; Sunday School, $16.83—Total, 45.42.

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

Baptisms—infant, 7; adult, 10. Confirmations, 6. Burials, 6. Communicants—last reported, 137; increased, by admission, 30: diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 11; stricken off for non-attendance, 2; present number 152. Children catechised by the rector often.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Missions in Ashtabula Co., (the labors having been voluntarily performed by rector and assistant, in Jefferson, Rome and Unionville,) $20—Total, $45.

JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Bellevue.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 2. Communicants, last reported, 9; increased, by transfer, 13; present number, 22.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; communion set, $9.62—Total, $32.62.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 34; increased, by admission, 2: diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 11; present number, 24. Sunday School—children, 46; teachers, 8.

For Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2. Foreign Missions, $7.86—Total, $17.86.

The Wardens of this Church report that with the exception of five services by Mr. McElroy and two by Mr. French, the parish has had no services since the Bishop's visitation of the parish.

D. S. SHERMAN, *Senior Warden.*

St. James' Church, Boardman.

7 [No report.]

St. Stephen's Church, Canfield.

[No report.]

St. David's Church, Centerville.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 89; increased, by admission, 2: diminished, by removal, 9; present number, 82. Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 10: catechised 12 times.

For Bishop's salary, $6; Contingent fund, $1; Bible Society, $40—Total, $47.

This parish has suffered considerably again this year by emigration. The young people are moving away from our settlement to various parts of the country, in search of situations. Thus we are deprived year after year of the main pillars of our congregation.

ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—infant, 24. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 3. Burials, 18. Communicants—last reported, 119; increased, by admission, 6; by transfer, 1: diminished, by death, 6; by removal, 5; present number, 115. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 9; catechised 12 times.

For Bishop's salary, $80; Contingent fund, $12; Domestic Missions, $26.09; Diocesan Missions, $83.15; Sunday School, $18; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $10; West. Seaman's Friend Soc. $51; Communion Alms, $59.78; Thanksgiving day offering to the poor, $9.23; from parishioners to the sufferers by the late fire, $200; gas fixtures in Church, $160; improvement on Church lot, $75; premium on life insurance policy of the rector, $45—Total, $829.25.

The kindness of the parishioners to their rector is unbounded.

L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 27; adult, 4. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 9. Burials, 14. Communicants—last reported, 158.

For Bishop's salary, $250; Contingent fund, $50; For. Miss. $200; Diocesan Miss. $503.80; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $94.32; Bible Soc. $259.97; Communion Alms, $233.41; other benevolent objects, $376.80—Total, $1,668.30.

In consequence of the parish being without a rector for several months, and until the present time, this report is necessarily very imperfect.

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 25. Marriages, 39. Burials, 29. Communicants—last reported, 130; increased, by transfer, 7: diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 13; present number, 121. Sunday School children, 100; teachers, 20.

For Bishop's salary, $70; Contingent fund, $10; Diocesan Miss. $10; at the Communion, $68.66—Total, $158.66.

Stated collections are made twice every Sunday for the support of the parish. All things considered, the prosperity of the parish, both numerical and spiritual, is a subject for great thankfulness.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 4. Confirmations, 21. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11. Communicants—last reported, 146; increased, by admission, 19; by transfer, 24: lost, by death, 2; by removal, 5; present number, 182. Sunday School—children, 55; teachers, 10; catechised every month.

For Bishop's salary, $150; Contingent fund, $30; For. Miss. $48.50; Dom. Miss. $81; Diocesan Miss. $182.44; Sunday School, $40; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $19; Sunday School collections for For. Missions, $33.50; parochial purposes, $65.56; for Manitouwoc, Wis. $118; Communion Alms, $246.20—Total, $1,014.20.

Besides the usual Sunday services, the church has been open for morning prayer on the several Holy Days prescribed by the Prayer Book; and during a portion of the year a lecture has been delivered every Wednesday evening. The attendance on all these week-day services has been such as indicated a deep interest in the "things which make for our everlasting peace." Both pastor and people have great cause for devout thankfulness, and encouragement to renewed earnestness in the indications of spiritual growth stamped upon the history of the parish for the past year.

JOHN W. CLARK, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 25. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 10. Burials, 12. Communicants—last reported, 30; increased, by admission, 8; by transfer, 9: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 7; present number, 37. Sunday School—children, 45; teachers, 10.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $5; For. Miss. $6; Sunday School contributions for Diocesan Miss. $11; Sunday School, $13; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $10; for the poor, $35—Total, $100.

The condition of Trinity Church is peculiar. It is built on the borders of the German population, and from the few people that speak English, who live in the neighborhood, it has but a small prospect of speedy growth. Most of my labors have been directed to the English and Irish Protestants scattered through the city. These are, generally, but transient residents, consequently our congregation greatly fluctuates. For the last five months there has been no city Missionary connected with the church, except myself, and I have had several cases that have given me much encouragement. The means at my disposal for the poor, were very limited, but these have gone further than I expected. Many need advice and sympathy more than money. These I have been enabled, in some instances, to assist, and have directed them to

the Saviour of sinners, as the "Friend who sticketh closer than a brother." While the number of communicants has increased a little, the *wealth* of the congregation remains about stationary, for we are mostly of the "poor of this world." RICHARD GRAY, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 2. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 62; increased, by admission, 14; by transfer, 1: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 7; present number, 67. Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 5; catechised 20 times.

For Bishop's salary, $35; Contingent fund, $8; Bible Soc. $12; Diocesan Miss. $45; Sunday School, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $8; West. Seaman's Friend Soc. $3.50; payment on organ, $80; incidental expenses, $63.80; improvements on Church and lot, $280——Total, $545.30.

The present congregation is united and prosperous. The pews are nearly all rented and regularly occupied. The parish is liberal in proportion to its ability.

My missionary services have been, as in former years, in the surrounding country and at Kingston, at which places I have held at least sixty services.

St. John's, Lancaster, has also been visited as often as circumstances would permit. In this parish I have had twelve services; spent one Sunday, administered the communion once, and baptized 7 infants. Six dollars have been collected for the Missionary and Education Committee.

This parish has lately made a most laudable and successful effort to secure the services of a clergyman. The Rev. D. Risser, a late graduate of our Theological Seminary, has accepted a call to be their minister, and is, at an early day, to enter upon this promising field.

H. N. BISHOP, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

The following report of Grace Church, Cleveland, is made principally from data furnished by the Rev. J. C. Tracey, Rector, previous to his leaving Cleveland, a few weeks since:

Baptisms — children, 26; adults, 2. Confirmations, 2. Communicants added, by admission, 7; by transfer, 10: diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 10; present number, 73. Marriages, 2. Burials, 15. Average number of children attending catechising, 65; catechised 12 times. Number of Sunday School teachers, 17; scholars, 108.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $4; Diocesan Missions and Education, $11.22.

A bell has been purchased, at a cost of over three hundred dollars. Twenty-five dollars have been expended in the purchase of books for the Sunday School Library. An individual has contributed fifty dollars to the improvement of the organ; and the ladies of the Church have contributed fifteen dollars for the purchase of suitable linen for the communion table—Total, $416.22.

The former rector, the Rev. T. Jarvis Carter, died in the city of

New York, November 15th, 1851, in the 26th year of his age; and his widow, Emma Cornelia Clark Carter, died in the city of Cleveland, August 14th, 1852. Their mortal remains now repose together beneath the chancel.

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 13; adult, 6. Confirmations, 15. Marriages, 9. Burials, 17. Communicants—last reported, 135; increased, by admission and transfer, 20; lost, by death, 1; by removal, 4; present number, 150. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 15; addressed by the rector on several occasions.

For Bishop's salary, $70; Contingent fund, $10; For. Miss. $29.-69; Domestic Miss. about $62; Diocesan Miss. and Ed. $15; Sunday School, about $47; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $50; other objects and offertory, $125—Total, $408.69.

The state of this parish is such as to afford encouragement to persevere in every good word and work, knowing that our labor is not in vain in the Lord. "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters."

G. B. PERRY, *Rector.*

*Trinity Church, Cleveland.**

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

Baptisms—infant, 3; adult, 1. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 30; increased, by admission, 4; present number, 34. Sunday School—children, 23; teachers, 4.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1.

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Communicants—last reported, 50; increased, by admission, 6; by transfer, 13: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 8; present number, 58. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 10; rector's class catechised weekly, in church monthly.

For Bishop's salary, $34.50; Contingent fund, $16 (this year and last); Communion offerings, $9.60; by Ladies' Sewing Circle, for recarpeting church, $100—Total, $160.10.

Other collections have been made previous to the accession of the present rector, but no account of them having been rendered, they can not be embraced in this report. The undersigned was unanimously elected rector, Sept. 1st, 1852, having supplied the parish with temporary services since July 16th. It can hardly be expected that he should speak positively as to its present condition—he thinks it, however, an encouraging field of labor. Since his accession, the children have been catechised in Sunday school and "openly in the Church." He has also formed an interesting catechetical class on the Book of Common Prayer, (which he meets on Thursday evenings,) composed of the more advanced Sunday school scholars and several young communicants.

W. NORMAN IRISH, *Rector.*

* [This report received too late for insertion here—see after *St. James', Zanesville.*]

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 9. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 13. Burials, 17. Communicants—last reported, 109; increased, by admission, 5; by transfer, 3: lost, 9; present number, 108. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 20.

For Bishop's salary, $85; Contingent fund, $15; For. Miss., $40; Diocesan Miss., $70; Sunday School, $51; Parish poor, $21; sufferers by Chillicothe fire, $40; education, $20; City Fem. Benev. Soc., $63; Am. Tract Soc., $120—Total, $525.

WILLIAM PRESTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 57; died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 52.

For Episcopate, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions, $5.10; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $4.55—Total, $39,65.

The incumbent entered upon his duties in November last, since which time he has officiated every other Sunday. He has found a warm hearted people. Their scattered and peculiar condition forbids a Sunday School. The parish register shows a great change in a few years. Death and removals have made a large reduction.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6. Communicants, —last reported, 55; increased, by transfer, 4: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 2; by discipline, 5; present number, 52. Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 7.

For Bishop's salary, $25; Contingent fund, $5; For. Miss. $6.12; Domestic Missions, $7.30; Diocesan Missions, $46; Sunday School, $7; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $5.51; Bible Soc. $5.50; as directed in the rubric to the offertory, $5.70; from Ladies' Mite Society, for improvements on parsonage, $17.40; for incidental expenses of Church, about $45—Total, $175.53.

The rector has still cause to mourn over the state of spiritual deadness in the church, and to offer up his earnest prayer to God for a revival of his work. He has, in addition to his regular services in his own parish, held a service once in two weeks during the year, at five o'clock p. m. at Monroe Falls; and during the summer, once in four weeks, at five o'clock p. m. in a school house five miles distant from home. He has also spent one Sunday and held services at Grafton, and one at Penfield, Lorain county. The children in the Sunday School have been catechised by the teachers, and the rector has, on the afternoon of several Communion Sundays, preached to the children.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 3. Confirmations, 14. Marriages, 3. Burials, 9. Communicants—last reported, 92; increased, by admis-

sion, 28; by transfer, 8: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 13; present number, 112. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 17; catechised, 12 times.

For Bishop's salary, $50; Contingent fund, $8; For. Miss. $6; Domestic Miss. $40; Diocesan Miss. $19.50; Sunday School, $60; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., $10; by Ladies' Sewing Soc., for church debt, $72; Colonization Soc., $5; sufferers by fire at Chillicothe, $30; Special Education, $50; Church improvement, $2000; Communion alms, $215.25—Total, $2,565.75.

This parish seems to be in a decidedly improving state, and when our enlargement and improvement of the church edifice, now in progress, shall have been completed, will possess a commodious and attractive building, where we trust the Holy Spirit may manifest himself in the turning of many of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, as well as in refreshing and strengthening the people of God. Since the last Convention, we have been called to mourn on account of the death of our venerable and venerated senior warden, Judge Crane; but our loss is no doubt his eternal gain, and we bless God for his lovely example of the Christian lawyer. JAS. B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Albans' Church, Deersville.

Communicants—last reported, 16; lost, by removal, 7; present numer, 9.

Our parish has been vacant since the resignation of our rector, Rev. A. Wheeler, in April, 1848. We have had lay reading tolerably regular since that time, and preaching on one or two occasions by Rev. R. Gray. In the interval since our rector's leaving, several of our communicants have left and attached themselves to other denominations. There is no prospect of keeping up a church organization here, as we are too weak and too far distant from any other parish to procure the services of any minister for any portion of his time.

ROBERT PITTIS, JR., *Clerk.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—infant, 6. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 84; increased, by transfer, 7: lost, by removal, 5; by discipline, 1; present number, 85. Sunday School—children, 80; teachers, 16.

For Bishop's salary, $50 · Contingent fund $10; For. Miss., $20; Diocesan Miss., $10; Sunday School, $23.75; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., $10; Am. Col. Soc., $12; to pay debt on church organ, $172.67; to provide a gown for parish church, $20; to aid Kenyon College, $260; in donations, payments and subscriptions to build a parsonage, $1500—Total, $2,088.42.

Rev. James McElroy, Rector of St. Peter's, Delaware, reports to the Bishop, that he reached Delaware in the early part of April last. He was happy and encouraged to find in his old parish a new, commodious and beautiful church, and quite a respectable attending congregation. He feels himself unworthy of the affectionate enthusiasm with which he and his family were received by his old and beloved parishioners, and he embraces this opportunity to express his grateful acknowl-

edgment of the substantial interest which they have since taken in him and his. The only circumstance to mar his happiness, was the death, during his absence of twelve years, of several of his oldest and most attached friends.

The parish have decided to erect a substantial, commodious, and comfortable Parsonage, and have already, for this desirable and grateful purpose, in donations, payments and subscriptions, $1,500. It is hoped that it will next summer be ready for occupancy. In regard to the spiritual feeling in the parish, there are occasionally, some indications of the presence of the quickening power of God, but generally, there seems a painful absence of faith and prayer. May God revive his work in our midst! There is one delightful circumstance — a general feeling of peace and harmony pervades the whole parish.

I have officiated at Berkshire five times — attended there one funeral, baptized one infant, administered the Lord's Supper once, and collected for Foreign Missions, $7.86. JAMES McELROY, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Communicants—last reported, 28; increased, by transfer, 1; present number, 29. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 18; catechised, 3 times.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; For. Miss., by Sunday School, $6; Diocesan Miss., $40.50; Sunday School, $18; Widows and Orphans' Soc., $2; debt and repairs on church, $200—Total, $278.50.

No material changes have occurred in this parish during the past year, but there is reason to hope that the seed sown by the preaching of the Word, and through the instrumentality of the Sabbath School, (which is still large and flourishing) will ere long spring up and bear abundant fruit to the praise and glory of God.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, East Liverpool.

Baptisms—infant, 3; adults, 1. Communicants — last reported, 39; admitted, 1; present number to be found, 25. Sunday School—children, 150; teachers, 20.

For Bishop's salary, $3; Contingent fund, $1.

Since February 1st, I have officiated in this parish every fourth Sunday. I have found warm hearts, hearty welcomes, and a wide field of labor, upon which I could bestow but little time. It will be seen there is quite a difference between the last and present report of the communicants, but I have acted on the best information to be obtained. Some have removed, and others, it would appear, were not strictly communicants, being neither "confirmed," nor "ready and desirous of being confirmed." The Rev. J. E. Pattison assisted me on one Sunday, and has also officiated one Sunday since my last appointment. Although, from some removals, the prospects at present are less encouraging, it is a point calling loudly for the life-giving Word.

H. HOLLIS, *Missionary.*

St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth.

Communicants—last reported, 39; lost, by death, 1; present number, 38.

For Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2.

Our little parish is still holding on in hopes of obtaining another rector. We keep up the services by lay reading, although our numbers in attendance are few. W. W. MANN, *Warden.*

St. John's Church, East Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Communicants—last reported, 24; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 1: died, 1; present number, 25.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Miss. $3.15; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $2.70—Total, $17.85.

This small but interesting parish we trust is somewhat improved. Every fourth Sunday is spent here. H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 2. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 3. Burials, 10. Communicants—last reported, 20; increased, by admission, 3; by transfer, 3: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 1; present number, 22. Sunday School—children, 18; teachers, 5: catechised 12 times.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Sunday School, $8; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $6; poor of the parish, $4.50—Total, $23.50.

Besides the stated services in this parish, the rector has preached twice in Penfield, three times in Oberlin, and twice in other places. Penfield needs very much the services of a missionary, and the labors of one, a portion of the time, would be abundantly repaid. At Oberlin nothing seems to be wanting but a place to meet in, in order to raise up an Episcopal congregation. Notwithstanding the inconvenience of meeting in a private house, and that at a distance from the centre of the population, our services have been well attended thus far. If the Church could be planted and sustained there, it would be the means, under the divine blessing, not only of immense good to that neighborhood, but of sending out healthful influences more extensively, perhaps, than from almost any other point that could be mentioned. How flattering such a prospect is, time and more labor bestowed must determine. ANSON CLARK, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Communicants, same as last year, 19.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1; purchase of Melodeon, $35; on parish debts, about $80—Total, $120.

Services have been given in this parish, since the last report, by Rev. T. B. Dooley, one Sunday; Rev. J. C. Tracey, five evening services during Lent, and three Sunday evening services; Rev. G. B. Perry, two Sunday evening services; Rev. L. Windsor, two; and Rev. L.

Burton, one. Rev. Mr. Carter gave one service on Sunday, and administered the communion.

We have made some exertions to obtain the labors of a clergyman some part of the time, but have not yet succeeded. It would hardly seem necessary to state that a young parish in this community can not be sustained without stated preaching. There seems to be a willingness on the part of a few members to do all within their power to sustain an Episcopal Church here.

JARED P. DOAN, *Secretary of the Vestry.*

Christ Church, Franklin Mills.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 8. Burials, 13. Communicants—last reported, 28; increased, by admission, 4; by transfer, 5; lost, by death, 2; by removal, 1; by discipline, 2; present number, 37. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 5; catechised, 12 times.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; For. Miss., $3; Diocesan Miss., $2; Sunday School, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., $3—Total, $19.

The rector would express his thanks to a kind Providence for His continued smiles upon this little parish. It has been steadily increasing in all those characteristics which seem to ensure its permanency. We have to mourn the smallness of our spiritual increase, but we trust some drops of divine mercy have been vouchsafed us.

The undersigned takes this opportunity to express his grateful acknowledgments to the many friends who have aided us by their pecuniary contributions, especially members of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, and the church under the care of Dr. Moore, Staten Island, and numbers in New York. Also, Mr. D. H. Arnold, of New York, a set of ten lamps for our church; Messrs. Buckingham, of Poughkeepsie, a set of Sunday school books, a parcel of Prayer Books, and a large one for the desk. We acknowledge, also, the liberal donation of Mr. A. A. Brewster, of Christ Church, Hudson, of one hundred dollars towards the organ for our church. A. PHELPS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

Baptisms—infant, 5. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 18; present number, 14. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 7.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, 1; other objects, $29.79—Total, $34.79.

The present rector having had charge of the church only for a few months, is not prepared to make any more particular report of the state of the parish. The records show a decrease in the number of communicants, which is no doubt to be attributed to a long vacancy; still he trusts that the prospects of the parish are encouraging, rather than otherwise. H. T. HIESTER, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Gallipolis.

[No report.]

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. Communicants—last reported, 65; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 14; lost, by death, 2; by removal, 7; present number, 70.

For Bishop's salary, $40; Contingent fund, $6; Diocesan Missions and Education, $45—Total, $91. J. T. BROOKE, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

[No report.]

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 1. Confirmations, 4. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 65; increased, by admission, 7; by transfer, 6: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 13; by discipline, 2; present number, 62. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 6.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $3.50; Diocesan Miss., $10; Sunday School, $11; Bible Society, $15; church repairs, $40; other missionary purposes, by a member of the parish, $150; Am. Tract Soc., by do., $50—Total, $299.50.

Other contributions to a large amount have been made by individuals on the plan of systematic benevolence, now generally acted upon with us, but how much the rector cannot say.

After the end of the first quarter, the rector of this church resigned the temporary charge of St. John's, Lancaster, which he had visited once a month. He now devotes the whole of his time to this parish.

The death of our beloved Senior Warden and the removal of so many of our number, including three families, (both the parents in each being communicants,) and two of the Vestry, have caused us, we hope, to look up to the great Head of the Church with a more child-like—a more Christian-like trust and submission. Nevertheless, with a consciousness of *united hearts*, with many continued mercies and new blessings, we are constrained to *thank God and take courage.*

E. A. STRONG, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Hudson.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 8. Burials, 9. Communicants—last reported, 60; increased, by transfer, 3: lost, by death, 2; by

removal, 3; present number, 58. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 7.

For Bishop's salary, $18; Contingent fund, $5; Domestic Miss. $13; Diocesan Miss. $13; Sunday School, $7; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $4; expenses for extra services, $25; liberation of Strothers, (a slave), $8; Jews, $5—Total, $108.

Removals and death have reduced the number of our communicants two, during the past year. But our congregations have been larger than before, and the general prospects of the parish are encouraging. Our people being much taken up with the improvements of the day, we have to mourn a want of that lively interest in religion which the subject demands. Fervently praying with the prophet, "Lord revive thy work," Very respectfully, T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials 4. Communicants —last reported, 17; increased, by admission, 4: lost, by death, 1; present number, 20.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $5—Total, $11.

I have reason to bless God, that amidst the many disheartening circumstances of this parish, it is still sustained. The place is now looking up, in a business point of view, and the church, I think, will keep pace with its increase. Patiently have I waited to see this time, and I have seen it. "Hardness," in the sense of the Apostle, has had to be "endured," but the reward will come. "It is a faithful saying; for if we suffer, we shall also reign with Him."

Low as our beloved church now stands, in the estimation of those without her borders, for piety, they will yet be convinced, I trust, by the reign of Christ among us, that we not only love, but are beloved by the Father.

The past year to me, has been a busy one. That the doors of the Milan church should not be shut, Huron consented to my preaching there half of my time. The time for Milan has now expired, and by me must be relinquished. It gives me pleasure to say that both at Milan and Huron, there has been a steady increase of hearers. Two services a week were held during Lent. I found them profitable. The Sunday School is kept up with interest—indeed, the parish, all things considered, is in a good condition.

P. S. I preached on the 29th of August three times at Paris, for the Rev. A. Bronson. I think that a most important place, and see no reason why it should not at once be occupied by the Church.

S. MARKS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

Communicants—last reported, 18; present number, 15.

For Bishop's salary, $5; Contingent fund, $1.

The number of communicants above includes persons who, from distant residence and other causes, have rarely attended the services of the

church here, during the past three or four years, and upon whose support no reliance can be placed.

N. B. PRENTICE, *Senior Warden.*

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 21: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 3; by discipline, 1; present number, 16.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Miss. $11; for services of neighboring clergymen, $45—Total, 61.

Services have been held in the parish once in two weeks—attendance generally very crowded. L. N. FREEMAN, H. N. BISHOP, } *Officiating.*

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

[See report of St. Philip's, Circleville.]

Trinity Church, Lyme.

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 2. Confirmations, 6. Communicants—last reported, 23; increased—by admission, 6; by transfer, 1: lost, by transfer, 8; present number, 22. Children catechised, 9 times.

For Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $1; For. Miss. $12; Diocesan Miss. $15.25—Total, $36.25. R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Communicants—last reported, 22; increased, by transfer, 3; present number, 25.

For Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; For. Miss. $2; Dio. Miss. $10.50; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $2—Total, $24.50.

There is much to cheer the heart of the pastor of this little flock, and to strengthen his hands, in the affectionate regard and considerate kindness ever manifested by them in relation to his temporal comfort and happiness; but there is still more to cheer and comfort him in his labors among them, in the love they manifest for the truth as it is in Jesus, and the hearty coöperation they afford him in all that pertains to the Redeemer's Kingdom, at home and abroad.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Mansfield.

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 1. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 23; increased, by admission, 6; by transfer, 2: lost, by removal, 1; by discipline, 1; present number, 29. Sunday School—children, 72; teachers, 14; catechised, 10 times.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $4; For. Miss. $10; Diocesan Miss. $10; Sunday School, $38; for a Bell, $356; by Ladies' Sewing Circle, to pay in part balance due on organ, $56; in

aid of Society for meliorating condition of Jews, $4; Seamen's Friend Society, operating on the lakes, $17; Communion offerings, $21; incidental expenses of parish, exclusive of minister's salary, $120 —Total, $646.

The altered condition of this parish betokens the very great goodness of God in not allowing the generous offering that had been made to his glory by the erection of our beautiful edifice, to be "a vain oblation." Like other pious designs in our sinful world, the attempt to establish a church of our order in Mansfield, met with its difficulties and discouragements; nevertheless, the labors that have been bestowed have not been in vain in the Lord. When it is considered that as yet there are but twenty-nine communicants, five only of whom are male, the enlarged liberality of the parishioners the past year, as compared with former years, affords the most lively hope that Grace Church, in the county town of Richland, will take her stand among the more reliable churches of the Diocese, in promoting the great interests of Christ's Kingdom. No less than $700 over and above any former year, have been expended the past year for different purposes.

Mansfield, in its topographical features, as well as in its social condition, may, I think, be regarded as in a transition state, the result of which, we believe, will conduce materially to "lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes" of our Zion. The Institutions of our church in Gambier and Granville, are beginning to receive accessions from the youth of our town, many of whom have attached themselves to our Sunday School and Bible Classes.

The chief drawback to our progress, is a debt of some $400, accumulated for organ and other incidental expenses before the present incumbent took charge of the parish; but we hope from the awakened interest in the prosperity of our Zion, and the large accessions which have been made to the congregation and Sunday School in twelve months, an effort will be forthwith made to remove this embarrassing incumbrance.

It is generally thought that Grace Church was never in so prosperous a condition; nevertheless there are causes, as every where, so here, constantly operating to retard the glorious work of grace, and demanding the utmost zeal, energy and unwearied perseverance of the ministry. "Our help is in the name of the Lord."

HENRY BLACKALLER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 2. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 48; increased, by admission, 7; by transfer, 9: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 61. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6.

For Bishop's salary, $13.

I think God is looking graciously on us. JOHN BOYD, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Marion.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 3. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Communicants—last reported, 19; increased, by admis-

sion, 7: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 1; present number, 25. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; catechised, 4 times.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Miss., $8; Sunday School, $3—Total, $17.

GEO. B. STURGES, *Rector.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—reported last year, 74 (an error inadvertant—should have been, 68); increased, by admission and transfer, 6; lost, by removal, 4; present number, 70. Number of Sunday School children in all departments on the roll, 170; average attendance of teachers and pupils, 130. Infant department numbers 40 pupils; 1 teacher. Each scholar in Sunday School, competent to receive it, has been presented with a Prayer Book during the past year. Each scholar receives monthly a copy of "The Child's Paper." The Sunday School has a Male and Female Bible Class composed of the advanced members of the school. The members of the school have organized a Male and Female Missionary Society, and have determined each to support a child in the Mission School at Cape Palmas, Africa. The Sunday School Library consists of nearly 500 volumes. The teachers hold meetings weekly at the house of the rector. The general attendance of teachers and scholars is uniform, and an increasing interest is manifest. The scholars are catechised monthly by the rector. (The foregoing is taken from the report of the superintendent.)

Amounts of money contributed since October 1st, 1851: Bishop's salary, $40; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Miss., (Africa) $55; Diocesan Miss., $40; for Sunday School purposes, $27.50; Am. Tract Soc., $25; Rev. Mr. Bryan, $40; repairs of church, &c., $427.80; communion offerings, $40—Total, $705.30.

The rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, entered upon his duties on the 1st of October, 1851. Since which time he has been enabled with great regularity to maintain the ordinary services of the church, and from time to time to add such as seemed expedient. He holds a weekly evening lecture, and meets the teachers of the Sunday Schools and Bible Classes at his own dwelling house every Saturday night. These meetings have been found profitable to all. The average attendance of teachers has been about 15 or 16, and frequently the minister's parlor has been crowded. Our communion services have been held on the first Sunday in each month since November, and I have found it profitable to gather together the communicants of the church on the Saturday afternoon previous to the commemoration of the Lord's Supper, for the purpose of encouraging in them and in myself a more earnest spirit of faith and love, and inciting them to a more diligent use of the means of grace. My endeavor has been to labor for the true interests of my people. I have hope that my labors have not been in vain. If the cause of the Redeemer could take deep root in the hearts of all his professed followers, ministers and people, the careless would be awakened, and they who now are apparently at ease, would be constrained to cry out, "Men and brethren, what must we do to be saved?" Our love for souls must manifest itself by a more faithful and diligent following after Christ our Lord.

We have formed three missionary organizations during the year: 1st. A Female Missionary Society auxiliary to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese of Ohio. 2d. A Missionary Society composed of the teachers and pupils of the male department of the Sunday School. 3d. A Missionary Society composed of the teachers and pupils of the female department of the Sunday School. Each of the latter societies appropriate their funds to Foreign Missions, and have each raised a sum sufficient for the support of a child in the Mission School of Western Africa.

I am happy to state that our church is wholly freed from debt—for this blessing we are indebted under God to the Christian liberality of Mrs. Mary B. Upham of Claremont, N. H., for the means with which to meet the only debt remaining against the church. The sum paid was one thousand dollars. To Mrs. Fassett of the city of Philadelphia, we are likewise indebted for an act of Christian generosity—that lady having relinquished nearly the sum of eight hundred dollars upon her claim against the church. To the kind offices of Gen. Dwight Jarvis, we are greatly indebted for the successful termination of this long pending matter. To his liberality, and to the like liberality of many of the early friends of the church in Massillon who remained constant in the midst of great adversity, we are under God indebted in a great degree for our present share of prosperity in temporal things.

I desire here to acknowledge my grateful sense of the generous affection which my people have manifested for the comforts of their minister and his family.

Since the last Convention, the Vestry have with great liberality completed the interior finish of the Church edifice, in the most appropriate and tasteful manner, at a cost, including two hot air furnaces, of about *one thousand dollars.* EDWARD H. CUMMING, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1. Confirmations, 15. Marriages, 13. Burials, 12. Communicants—last reported, 151; increased, by admission, 15; by transfer, 1: lost, by death, 3; present number, 164. Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 10.

For Bishop's salary, $35; Contingent fund, $5; Diocesan Missions, $10; Sunday School, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; Am. Bible Soc. $50; parish expenses, $35; support of the Gospel, $450—Total, $605. G. S. DAVIS, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Communicants, 18.

For Bishop's salary, $10.

I took charge of this church in October, 1851. For it I have felt a deep interest. There is everything belonging to it calculated to make

it attractive to a clergyman, and I can unite with the report of the wardens of last year, in saying that "there is nothing wanted in this parish, under God, but the services of a zealous and faithful minister, to place it on an equality with the other village parishes in the Diocese."

I regret to say that there have been no accessions to the communion during the last year, but rejoice to declare, that there has been an increase of the congregation. My labors in the parish terminate the first of October. I trust that there will be an immediate supply, for it is more difficult to resuscitate a church than to begin one anew. I have done what I could to sustain the Sunday School. Would that our people felt more interest in this institution. I hope and pray that this parish may not be long without the stated services of a pastor.

S. MARKS, *Minister pro. tem.*

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Communicants—last reported, 27; lost, by removal, 1; present number, 34.

For Bishop's salary, $5; Contingent fund, $3—Total, $8.

A. BLAKE, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

Baptisms—infant, 6. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 144; increased, by transfer, 3: lost, by death, 2; by removal, 8; by discipline, 2; present number, 135. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 10; catechised, four times.

For Bishop's salary, $52; Contingent fund, $10; Sunday School, $46; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $12.66; children's offering for Seamen, $2.34; church building at Newcastle, $100—Total, $223.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 55; increased, by transfer, 2: died, 1; present number, (supposed), 56.

For Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $7. WM. RICHARDS, *Sec'y.*

St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 8. Communicants—last reported, 66; increased, by admission, 2: lost, by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 63. Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 4; catechised, 6 times.

For Bishop's salary, $47; Contingent fund, $6; Foreign Miss. $11; Diocesan Miss. $30; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $20; Western

Seaman's Friend Soc. $36.75; Am. Bible Soc. $8.85; other objects, $32.89—Total, $192.49.

Of the $47 contributed towards the Bishop's salary, $35 was the amount of the annual assessment for the Episcopate. The additional $12 was given in fulfillment of the rector's pledge towards the payment of the arrearages due from *the Diocese* to the Bishop. The rector is happy to say that during the time he has had charge of St. Paul's, Norwalk, (now more than five years,) this parish has never been in arrears either to the Episcopate or the Contingent fund.

The parish is in a harmonious and flourishing condition. The services are well attended, and the church is steadily gaining ground.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Ohio City.

Baptisms—infant, 13; adult, 2. Confirmations, 17. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11. Communicants—last reported, 87; increased, by admission, 17; by transfer, 10: lost, by removal, 4; by discipline, 2; present number, 108. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; catechised, 7 times.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $5; For. Miss. $7.31; Domestic Miss. $8.38; Diocesan Miss. $21; Sunday School, $11; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $10; other benevolent objects, $23.65—Total, $106.34.

The above sums, with the exception of the first two items, are the proceeds of the monthly communion offerings. The parish is united, peaceful and prosperous. The rector officiated once in St. Paul's, Euclid, and baptized an infant. LEWIS BURTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—last reported, 67; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 2: removed, 2; present number, 68. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 5.

For Bishop's salary, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Sunday School, $16; the poor, $23.03; Soc. for meliorating condition of Jews, $9—Total, $78.03.

I entered upon my duties as minister of this parish, Nov. 28, 1851.

J. E. BATTIN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Penfield.

Communicants—last reported, 10; increased, by transfer, 1; present number, 11. Sunday school—children, 20; teachers, 5.

For Bishop's salary, $2; Contingent fund, $2; Sunday School library, $10.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $15—Total, $29.50.

The Sunday School is properly a union school, with Methodists and Congregationalists—the above properly our proportion. Whole number of scholars enrolled in the school, 98; teachers, 12. Superintended by the senior warden of Christ Church.

BERI ANDREWS, *Senior Warden.*

Bethel Church, Peninsula.

[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 9. Communicants—last reported, 81; increased, by transfer, 1: lost, by death, 2; by removal 8; present number, 72. Sunday School—children, 74; teachers, 12; catechised, 20 times.

For Bishop's salary, $55; Contingent fund, $10; For. Miss. $25; Domestic Miss. $15; Diocesan Miss. $44; Sunday School, $1.70; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $10; Am. Bible Society, $32.70; lot for parsonage, $700; Communion alms, in part, $32.79; Miscellaneous, $30.06—Total, $956.25.

This parish contributes to the Board of Domestic Missions, though for three years past there has been no credit given in the annual report of the treasurer.

It has pleased an allwise Providence that the only changes in the number of the communicants should be by removals and deaths, and that our Sunday School should lose its long tried superintendent; the world finding him so useful elsewhere as to detain him a good portion of the time away from home; much to his regret and ours. Opposed to these discouragements, the same Providence has kindly continued the Vestry, whose watchfulness for the temporal interests of the church never slumbers. The lot purchased by them for a parsonage was principally the gift of one of their number. O Lord, revive thy work!

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 5. Burials, 16. Communicants—last reported, 41; increased, by admission, 15: lost, by death 3; by removal, 10; present number, 43. Sunday School—children, 90; teachers, 12.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $3.36; other objects, $40—Total, $55.36.

Our stated collections are held on the first and third Sundays of each month—the former, communion offerings, the latter for incidental expenses. We have purchased books for a Sunday School library to the amount of twenty-three dollars this year. There are several candidates for the rite of Confirmation, awaiting the visitation of our Bishop. By reference to the statistics, it will be seen that the loss, through death and removal, has been made up by a new addition to our list of communicants. In common with other parishes, religion sits loosely on some of our congregation; yet there are others who, for our comfort and seal, adorn their Christian profession, if an upright and consistent discharge of duty is an evidence of inward and spiritual life. And as the

husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it until he receives the early and latter rain, so are we determined, by God's help, to establish our heart, and proclaim the truth as it is in Jesus. We are admonished that to the gay and thoughtless "Christ Jesus and him crucified" is but a dull and simple theme, poorly supplying the place of those flowers of rhetoric and charms of diction in which genius delights; yet we feel confident it is the power of God unto the salvation of every one that believeth, and therefore we grow more confident and strengthened in the work, to press forward with a steady aim to the promotion of God's glory and the good of souls.

THOMAS B. DOOLEY, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 4. Confirmations, 20. Marriages, 9. Burials, 21. Communicants—last reported, 142; increased, by admission, 25; by transfer, 3: diminished, by death, 4; by removal, 12; by discipline 2; present number, 152. Sunday School—children, 96; teachers 21; catechised, about 20 times.

For Bishop's salary, $70; Contingent fund, $10; For. Miss. $15; Domestic Miss. $26; Diocesan Miss. $83; Sunday School, $30; Children's contributions for Miss. $10; Am. Bible Soc. $57; West. Seaman's Friend Soc. $48—Total, $369.

The parish under my charge is now, so far as convenient and decent externals are concerned, prepared to move forward in its appropriate work with a good prospect of success. The means of grace are enjoyed without let or hindrance. Our congregation has much increased during the past year, and a goodly number have been added to the communion. At the same time our losses by death and removal, chiefly the latter, have also been considerable; so that, while twenty-eight have been added, the aggregate shows an increase of only ten. We can but hope and labor and pray for a larger measure of divine influence and an increase of faith and love in the work of our blessed Master; and then we shall see, year by year, a larger number added to the Lord of such as shall be saved. May this, and all the parishes of our beloved Zion, be thus favored.

ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Rome.

As reported to the Bishop, I was elected rector of this parish last fall. During something more than a year past, myself and my assistant have visited the congregation with morn and even service and sermons on six occasions, and I have administered the Holy Communion twice. From fifty to sixty persons usually attend divine service and appear very favorable to the church. Although many changes and losses have occurred, by deaths, removals, and other causes, during the last fifteen years, yet there appears ground of hope that the church in this parish, by the blessing of God on such Christian efforts as are intended to be continued here, may be reanimated.

There are in the parish—Baptized adults, 22. Communicants, 12.

Amount contributed—For Bishop's salary, $1; Contingent fund, $1.

JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

[No report.]

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Baptisms—infant, 12; adult, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 21. Communicants—last reported, 83; increased—by admission, 8; by transfer, 10: lost, by death, 4; by removal, 9; present number, 88. Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 12; catechised, 6 times.

For Bishop's salary, $55; Contingent fund, $10; For. Miss., $5; Diocesan Miss., $78.35; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., $15; Am. Jews' Soc., $1; Am. Tract Soc., $9.10; Domestic charities, $58.36—Total, $131.81.

An enlargement of the church edifice is commenced, which, when completed, will add much to its comeliness and to its present capacity, making one hundred and ten pews. S. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 1. Communicants—last reported, 63; increased, by transfer, 2: lost, by removal, 10; by discipline, 2; present number, 53. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 6; catechised, 6 times.

Diocesan Miss., $10; Sunday School, about $12; repairs and improvements of church—a part of which was reported as subscribed last year, but the whole amount has been paid since last Convention—$150 Total, $172. CHANDLER ROBBINS, *Rector.*

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—infant, 9. Confirmations, 27. Marriages, 9. Burials, 11. Communicants—last reported, 132; increased, by admission, 15; by transfer, 13: lost, by death, 5; by removal, 6; by discipline, 2; present number, 147. Sunday School—children, 112; teachers, 15; catechised, with few exceptions, every Sunday.

For Bishop's salary, $50; Contingent fund, $10; For. Miss. (China and Africa), $47.50; Domestic Miss. (Illinois), $25; Diocesan Miss., $20; Sunday School Library, &c., $30; Widows' and Orphan's Soc., $3; church at Hannibal, Missouri, $25; also the Ladies' Sewing Soc. have furnished, for painting the exterior of the church, fitting up the vestry room, &c., about $200—Total, $410.50.

The Sunday School room has also been much improved, by the praiseworthy exertions of the young men. INTREPID MORSE, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

Baptisms—infant, 5. Burials, 1. Communicants, 20.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1.

The general condition of the church is healthy and prosperous. Several communicants have recently come into the parish, and will soon be transferred to the church. What is greatly needed is—a clergyman to live in one of the two parishes—either this or St. Luke's, Columbia.

E. ADAMS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Toledo.

[No report.]

Trinity Church, Troy.

Confirmations, 1. Communicants—last reported, 14; lost, by death, 3; present number, 12.

For Bishop's salary, $3; Contingent fund, $2.

Having no settled minister in the parish, we have not had the church open for services but two or three times the present year, and the parish is in a great measure disorganized. Still it is hoped that there is seed sown that would bring forth fruit under usual ministrations if they could be procured. We have looked in vain for the visits of some missionary.

ASA COLEMAN, *Senior Warden.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

[No report.]

Epiphany Church, Urbana.

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 3. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—last reported, 25; increased, by admission, 5; by transfer, 3: lost, by death, 1; by removal, 1; by discipline, 1; present number, 30. Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 9; catechised occasionally in Sunday School.

For Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Miss. $12.50; Sunday School, $3; Bible Society, $5.10; Church furniture and incidental expenses, $35.24—Total, $67.84.

The general state of the parish during the past year has been prosperous. The services of the church are better attended, and we think are recommending themselves to the calm consideration of the people. It must take some time to make a permanent impression on the mind of the community in favor of liturgical worship, where, until a comparatively recent period, little was known of our church; and the gain thus far, has been fully as large as could have been expected. We have had a few additions to the communion, and lost a few, leaving a small balance in favor of the parish. Of the thirty names recorded, one has already removed to Cincinnati, but not yet transferred. Several reside from five to ten miles in the country, so that our *resident* communicants in Urbana are about *three-fourths* the number given.

Missionary services have been given, since the last Convention, to Marysville, Union county, seven Sundays; Yellow Springs, once; Kenton, Hardin county, two week day services. The rector has

attended one meeting of the "Southwestern Convocation," at Hamilton, on which occasion he took his proportion of the services, preached once and baptised a child. It were well for the cause of the church in this Diocese, if these meetings had the hearty coöperation of the clergy and were better and more frequently attended. Church extension in this Diocese will be much retarded if these services are generally neglected. The older parishes may not need them, but *newer* ones certainly do. May the Lord raise up additional laborers. An additional Missionary should be stationed at once in the counties north of this, to act as an itinerant. When will the waste places be occupied? O Lord, how long!

C. B. STOUT, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakeman.

Marriages, 1. Communicants, 21.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Miss. $1.

The prospects of the parish are not encouraging; but the rector continues his services half the time. He gave up the parish in Lyme, at Easter, and in connection with neighboring brethren, has now, in August, commenced missionary service at East Plymouth.

A. BRONSON, *Rector and Missionary.*

Christ Church, Warren.

Baptisms — infant, 10; adult, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 12. Communicants—last reported, 41; increased, by admission, 4; by transfer, 3: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 3; present number, 42. Sunday School—children, 105; teachers, 15.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Foreign Missions, $9.77; Diocesan Missions, $12.18; Sunday School, $14.25; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5.51; Am. Bible Society, $4.63; Bp. White Bible and Prayer Book Society, $3.55; Communion alms, $23.86; weekly offerings for current expenses, $79; in addition to the above the ladies of the parish have raised and distributed among the poor, through an appointed committee, in goods and groceries, the sum of $50; there has been paid on account of the church debt, which is now nearly extinguished, the sum of $100; through the exertions of two of the members of the congregation, there has been raised on behalf of the widow and children of the sexton of the church, recently deceased, the sum of $150—Total, $407.75.

The rector acknowledges the receipt of a silver pitcher from the ladies of his congregation, as a mark of their regard.

GEO. W. DUBOIS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Windsor.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Communicants—last reported, 34; increased, by admission, 2: removed, 4; present number, 32.

For church and parish contingencies, $300.

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 1. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 39; increased, by admission, 2; by transfer, 8: removed, 2; present number, 47. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 8; catechised by the present rector, once.

For Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $10; Sunday School, $15.75; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $7.07; by ladies, for improvements on parsonage, $10; by rector, for the same, $38.53: communion offerings, disbursed in the parish, $5—Total, $96.35.

The communion offerings amount to $26.63, the most of which is included in the above.

The undersigned took charge of this parish on Easter Sunday, 1852, but has as yet devoted little more than his Sundays to the parish. He indulges a hope, however, that an effort will soon be made to effect such an arrangement with the parish at Berkshire, that between the two a *pastor* as well as *preacher* may be sustained. It is difficult to see why a pastor cannot be sustained even in the former parish alone. With a very convenient and comfortable parsonage—a glebe yielding a handsome rent—with no debts to oppress, and a disposition to contribute liberally according to their means, as the above report testifies—every thing would seem to encourage the hope that Worthington may again arise, and be a name and a praise in the whole Diocese. What is wanted, evidently, is *parochial labor*, and without it, it is just as evident, any parish must sooner or later become extinct. The rector is encouraged by the most efficient assistance of the superintendent of the Sunday School, who is also lay reader to the congregation in the absence of the minister; and he believes that in view of his labors, there is hope for the rising generation, if not for the present.

The undersigned ministered during the winter in St. Paul's, Columbus, where, and at Berkshire, he performed various official acts, which are included in the reports of those parishes.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 1. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11. Communicants—last reported, 133; increased, by admission, 2; by transfer, 11: lost, by death, 3; by removal, 9; present number, 134. Sunday School—children, 86; teachers, 15.

For Bishop's salary, $85; Contingent fund, $12; Foreign Missions, $60; Domestic Missions, $66; Diocesan Missions and Education, $65; Sunday School, $74; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $25; Bible Society, 20; Colonization Society, $28; Tract Society, $10; Disabled minister, $5—Total, $450.

During a large part of the year, the rector has been laboring under a disease of the throat, which has hindered him much in his work, but from which he is now, in a great measure, relieved. The congregations continue good, and the people are liberal in their contributions. A deplorable spirit, however, of worldliness, and of carelessness in regard

to the interests of the soul, extensively prevails. The thirst for earthly pleasure and wealth acts powerfully upon the mass, and makes them forget religion altogether, whilst a desire after an easier and more fashionable system keeps back not a few of those who think about religion at all, and alas! the love of too many Christians has waxed cold. Their minister feels that it is a time for him to stand between the porch and altar and weep and pray, as well as preach. May God spare His people, and revive His work for His Son's sake.

WM. A. SMALLWOOD, *Rector.*

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*Trinity Church, Cleveland.**

The rector having been necessarily absent from home for several weeks, and not having access to the parish records, is unable to state the exact number of communicants. There has been, however, an increase over the past year. Communicants, about 160. Marriages, 13. Baptisms, 23. Burials, 11. Confirmations, 2.

For the Episcopate, $90; Contingent fund, $14 (in full for this year, and arrears on last year); for Missions, $160; St. George's Benevolent Society of Cleveland, $70; Sunday School books, $30; Sunday School for Missions, $6—Total, $370.

The rector is gratified in being able to state that the parish is in a very flourishing condition. Entire harmony and unity prevail within its limits. Many valuable additions have been made to it, of sound and zealous Episcopalians during the year. The Sunday School is under the official superintendence of Mr. Roby and a corps of devoted teachers; and as heretofore is catechised, from time to time, openly in the church, by the rector. The special services, on other days than Sundays, have been unusually well attended. This was particularly the case on Ash-Wednesday, Good-Friday, and generally during Lent.

The funds for Missions, though collected and in the hands of the wardens, have not yet been appropriated, as at the date of this report they have but just been obtained. The appropriation will immediately be made.

LLOYD WINDSOR, *Rector.*

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*St. Matthew's Church, Perry.**

Confirmed, 7. Communicants—last reported, 43; added, 3: died, 2; removed, 4; present number, 40.

For Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Aged and Infirm Clergymen, $5—Total, $11.

G. DENISON, *Minister.*

REPORTS OF CLERGYMEN

NOT HAVING PAROCHIAL CURES.

Rev. N. Badger

Reports that, since the last Convention, he has resigned the charge of Milnor Hall and been mainly engaged in duties devolved on him by

* Received too late for insertion in the proper place.

his relation to the Grammar School of Kenyon College, and the Diocesan paper. He has preached in his turn in Rosse Chapel, in Gambier, and several times in other places, and baptised an infant.

Rev. Johnson A. Brayton.

[No report.]

Rev. John L. Bryan

Reports to the Bishop of the Diocese, as follows: Early in June he made a visit to Urbana, and spent a Sunday with the good brother of that place. It happened to be communion day, and he was privileged in receiving and assisted in the administration of that holy rite. Service twice during the day—sermon by the rector in the morning, and in the afternoon by the writer of this report. A neat and substantial church edifice stands as a monument of the zeal and untiring energy of the missionary of that station. May the Lord abundantly bless his charge in spiritual things. One Sunday was spent at Berkshire on the way to Urbana, preaching in the afternoon. On the 12th of July a journey was undertaken, to visit some near relations in Botetourt county, Virginia; four Sundays were spent among them, and a sermon preached each Sunday by your humble servant. On his return home he visited an old parish in Maryland, from which he had been absent some twenty-five years. Here the first service he attended with the minister of the parish was, the funeral of an old acquaintance and friend. The next service was on Sunday morning, when he had the great satisfaction of addressing once more a people dear to him, and from whom he had received, in years gone by, many unmistakable marks of regard as a minister of God; but, alas! sadness filled his heart when he missed so many old friends from the congregation—gone down to the dust of the grave. Truly is this earth a vale of tears; and may he and they ever live in view of the solemn reality that "in the midst of life we are in death."

P. S. Some aid has been given to the minister of St. Luke's parish, Granville, in preaching, when called upon to do so, when at home.

Rev. T. W. Clapp.

[No report.]

Rev. John Foster.

[No report.]

Rev. Wm. Granville.

[No report.]

Rev. R. S. Nash

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that, since he resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Akron, (on the second Sunday after Trinity,) he has endeavored, while recruiting his health, to improve every opportunity of usefulness.

For three Sundays he supplied Trinity Church, Newark, while the

congregation were waiting the arrival of the present rector. The Sunday previous, he preached at Sandusky City, and at Venice, a missionary station of the rector of Grace Church. Subsequently he has preached at Granville, and other places, every Sunday except one, on which occasion he was providentially detained. The latter part of the preceding week, he was present at a very interesting, and, it is to be hoped, profitable, association in St. Philip's, Circleville.

Alexandria, Licking county, Sept. 1852.

Rev. Henry Payne.

During the past year I have been regularly employed in the duties of a missionary of the Am. S. S. Union, in which capacity, as often as opportunity served, I have preached and lectured, and organized, visited and addressed Sunday Schools. I have also baptized two infants, and performed the services at three funerals.

Rev. Henry P. Powers.

[No report.]

Rev. Alvah Sanford.

[No report.]

Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D.

[No report.]

Rev. G. Thompson

Reports that, though he has had no regular parochial charge during the last conventional year, he has for about seven months of that time, held divine service and preached once every Lord's day, in St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls. Besides the above, he has preached on several occasions in each of the following places, viz: Cincinnati, Mt. Vernon, Mansfield, Warren and Franklin. He has administered the communion twice, and baptized one infant.

Rev. Spencer Wall.

[No report.]

Rev. A. Wheeler.

[No report.]

Rev. M. T. C. Wing, D.D.

[No report.]

P. S. Several other clergymen have not made reports—some having but just come into the Diocese and others having been but very recently ordained.

ABSTRACT—TABLE I.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	COUNTY.	MINISTER.	WARDENS.	WHEN ORGANIZED OR ADMITTED.
Akron,	St. Paul's,	Summit,	*Vacant*,	G. W. Merrick,† P. Bennett,†	Precise date not ascertained.
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	Ashtabula,	John Hall,	J. Booth, S. B. Wells,	February, - - - 1817.
Bellevue,	St. Paul's,	Huron,	Rodolphus K. Nash,	John Grimes, Isaac Harper,	September, - - - 1851.
Berkshire.	Grace,	Delaware,	*Vacant*,	D. T. Sherman, J. P. Crawford,	April, - - - - 1817.
Boardman,	St. James'.*	Mahoning,	"	* - - - - - - - - -	April, - - - - 1817.
Canfield,	St. Stephen's,*	"	"	S. C. Lockwood, C. Beardslee,	September, - - - 1847.
Centerville,	St. David's,	Gallia,	Abraham Edwards,	* - - - - - - - - -	September, - - - 1845.
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	Ross,	L. N. Freeman,	James S. Swearingen, E. P. Kendrick,	April, - - - - 1817.
Cincinnati,	Christ,	Hamilton,	Dudley A. Tyng,	N. G. Pendleton, Bellamy Storer,	- - - - - 1817.
Cincinnati,	St. John's,	"	Wm. R. Nicholson,	H. W. Derby, J. Haskell,	October, - - - 1849.
Cincinnati,	St. Paul's,	"	John W. Clark.	D. K. Cady, Joseph C. Ringwalt,	Not ascertained, - -
Cincinnati,	Trinity,	"	Richard Gray,	William S. Drummond, T. Longworth,	September, - - - 1813.
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	Pickaway,	Hiram N. Bishop,	Thomas C. Jones, J. S. Morrison,	- - - - - 1818.
Cleveland,	Grace,	Cuyahoga,	J. C. Tracey,	* - - - - - - - - -	September, - - - 1845.
Cleveland,	St. Paul's,	"	G. B. Perry, D.D.	H. L. Noble, E. T. Sterling,	September, - - - 1847.
Cleveland,	Trinity,	"	Lloyd Windsor,	A. Buttles,† P. Anderson,†	March, - - - - 1817.
Columbia,	St. Luke's,	Lorain,	Eli Adams,	O. Clark, T. Squires,	March, - - - - 1817.
Columbus,	St. Paul's,	Franklin,	W. Norman Irish.	K. H. Van Rensselaer, S. D. Harris,	December, - - - 1842.
Columbus.	Trinity,	"	William Preston,	A. H. Pinney, Cyrus Fay,	- - - - - 1817.
Cross Creek,	St. James',	Jefferson,	H. Hollis,	Alex. Cunningham, John Deter,	- - - - - 1817.
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	Summit,	L. L. Holden,	John Hanford, Sen., Geo. Parks, Jr.,	Not ascertained, - -
Dayton,	Christ,	Montgomery,	Jas. B. Britton,	Warren Munger, John Cohan,	- - - - - 1819.
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	Delaware,	James McElroy,	Daniel Dyke, William Owston,	- - - - - 1817.
Dresden,	Zion,	Muskingum,	A. T. McMurphey,	Benjamin Adams, George W. Adams,	September, - - - 1841.
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,	Columbiana,	H. Hollis,	D. A. Fulke, J. Scott,	October, - - - 1838.
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,	Ashtabula,	*Vacant*,	W. W. Mann, E. Harper,	September, - - - 1834.
East Springfield,	St. John's,	Jefferson,	H. Hollis.	James Patten, Alex. McCullough,	- - - - - 1826.
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	Lorain,	Anson Clark.	Raymond Starr, Orrin Cowles,	September, - - - 1837.
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	Cuyahoga,	*Vacant*,	John Doan, Charles Hall,	September, - - - 1844.
Franklin Mills,	Christ,	Portage,	Alanson Phelps,	Edward Parsons, Asa Stanley,‡	November, - - - 1835.
Fremont,	St. Paul's,	Sandusky,	H. T. Hiester,	J. Wilson,† A. Cowles,†	September, - - - 1842.
Gallipolis,	St. Peter's,*	Gallia,	*Vacant*,	A. Vance, A. Cushing,†	September, - - - 1850.
Gambier,	Harcourt,	Knox,	John T. Brooke, D.D.	M. White,† A. G. Scott,†	- - - - - 1827.
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,*	Lorain,	*Vacant*,	G. Van Denten,† G. S. Pomeroy,†	- (before) - 1827.
Granville,	St. Luke's,	Licking,	E. A. Strong,	Dr. Wm. S. Richards,‡ A. P. Prichard,	- - - - - 1827.
Greenville,	St. Paul's,*	Darke,	*Vacant*,	* - - - - - - - - -	September, - - - 1837.
Hamilton,	St. Matthew's,*	Butler,	"	* - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - 1819.
Hartsgrove,	St. Paul's,	Ashtabula,	"	* - - - - - - - - -	September, - - - 1849.
Hudson,	Christ,	Summit,	T. B. Fairchild,	Anson A. Brewster,	September, - - - 1842.

Lyme,	Trinity,	Huron,	Rodolphus K. Nash,	John Clarke, N. M. Wheeler,	September,	1836.
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	Muskingum,	A. T. McMurphey,	Thomas Armstrong, Robert Armstrong,	(before)	1839.
Mansfield,	Grace,	Richland,	Henry Blackaller,	E. W. Dietrich, Z. S. Stocking,	September,	1847.
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	Washington,	John Boyd,	Arius Nye, John Kendrick,		1826.
Marion,	St. Paul's,	Marion,	George B. Sturges,	Eber Baker, S. S. Bennett,	October,	1849.
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	Stark,	Edward H. Cumming,	T. McCullough, Kent Jarvis,	September,	1836.
Maumee City,	St. Paul's,*	Lucas,	*Vacant*,	A. Young,† D. P. Merwin,†	October,	1838.
Medina,	St. Paul's,	Medina,	George S. Davis,	Russell Thayer, W. Mead,	March,	1817.
Milan,	St. Luke's,	Erie,	*Vacant*,	J. P. Dean, —— Jarvis.	August,	1846.
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's.	Coshocton,	Alfred Blake,	G. Henderson,†		1822.
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	Knox,	Jos. Muenscher, D.D.	Ebenezer Alling, David Potwin,		1827.
Newark,	Trinity,	Licking,	F. B. Nash,	Israel Dille, H. S. Sprague,		1826.
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,*	Trumbull,	G. W. DuBois,	H. A. DuBois,	September,	1842.
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	Huron,	Edward Winthrop,	Platt Benedict, Obadiah Jenney,	(before)	1822.
Ohio City,	St. John's,	Cuyahoga,	Lewis Burton,	David Griffith, George L. Chapman,	September,	1836.
Painesville,	St. James',	Lake,	John E. Battin,	D. D. Aiken, Henry Williams,	September,	1836.
Penfield,	Christ,	Lorain,	*Vacant*,	Beri Andrews, Lewis Jones,	September,	1844.
Peninsula,	Bethel,	Summit,	"	J. H. Hill,†	October,	1838.
Perry,	St. Matthew's,	Coshocton,	Geo. Denison,	W. Woodward,† J. Green,†		1822.
Piqua,	St. James',	Miami,	Chauncey W. Fitch,	M. G. Mitchell, Wm. Scott,	January,	1824.
Pomeroy,	Grace,	Meigs,	Thos. B. Dooley,	V. B. Horton, James Creary,	September,	1848.
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	Scioto,	Erastus Burr,	Aaron Kinney, Samuel S. Fuller,		1818.
Rome,	St. Peter's,	Ashtabula,	John Hall,	*	Not ascertained,	
Roscoe,	Immanuel,*	Coshocton,	*Vacant*,	W. Humphreys,† J. Dodd,†	September,	1848.
Sandusky City,	Grace,	Erie,	S. A. Bronson, D.D.	Z. W. Barker, Ebenezer Lane,	August,	1840.
Springfield,	Christ,	Clark,	Chandler Robbins,	Wm. Coles, John Ludlow, Jr.,		1820.
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',	Belmont,	*Vacant*,	*		1817.
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	Jefferson,	Intrepid Morse,	John H. Veirs, Andrew Bustard,	May 16,	1819.
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,	Cuyahoga,	Eli Adams,	E. Stone, T. Clark,	October,	1838.
Toledo,	Trinity,*	Lucas,	H. B. Wallbridge,	D. Wadsworth,† T. Tredwell,†	October,	1838.
Troy,	Trinity,	Miami,	*Vacant*,	Asa Coleman, A. Mayo,†	Not ascertained,	
Unionville,	St. Michael's,	Jefferson,	"	R. Warner,†	Not ascertained, but before	1825.
Urbana,	Epiphany,	Champaign,	Charles B. Stout,	Wm. F. Slater, Burritt S. Judd,	September,	1848.
Wakeman,	St. John's,	Huron,	Abraham Bronson,	Cyrenius Beecher, Sala Todd,	September,	1837.
Warren,	Christ,	Trumbull,	George W. DuBois,	U. B. White, J. L. Weeks,	September,	1837.
Windsor,	Christ,	Ashtabula,	*Vacant*,	*	March,	1817.
Wooster,	St. James',	Wayne,	"	Henry Lehman, James Johnson,	September,	1841.
Worthington,	St. John's,	Franklin,	William C. French.	Charles E. Burr, Ezra Gilbert,		1817.
Zanesville,	St. James',	Muskingum.	Wm. A. Smallwood,	James Crosby, E. E. Fillmore,		1817.

* No report. † As last reported. ‡ Deceased.

ABSTRACT—TABLE II.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	Baptisms		Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Communicants.				S. Schools.		Amount of Contributions reported—					
		Infant.	Adult.				Last report.	Added.	Lost.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Episcopate and Contingent Funds.	Missions and Education.	Parochial Purposes.	Widows' and Orphans' Society.	Other Benevolent Objects.	Total for all objects, except rectors' salaries.
Akron,	St. Paul's,	2	—	—	2	1	47	3	15	35	—	—	$20 00	$8 59	$16 83	—	—	$45 42
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	7	10	6	—	6	137	30	15	152	—	—	25 00	20 00	—	—	—	45 00
Bellevue,	St. Paul's,	2	—	3	2	—	9	13	—	22	—	—	12 00	—	9 62	—	—	32 62
Berkshire,	Grace,	3	—	2	1	3	34	2	12	44	8	46	10 00	7 86	—	—	—	17 86
Centerville,	St. David's,	7	—	—	—	3	89	2	9	82	10	70	7 00	—	—	—	$40 00	47 00
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	24	—	7	3	18	119	7	11	115	9	50	92 00	109 24	367 01	$10 00	251 00	829 25
Cincinnati,	Christ,	27	4	4	9	14	†158	—	—	†158	—	—	300 00	703 80	253 41	94 32	636 77	1,668 30
Cincinnati,	St. John's,	25	—	—	39	29	130	7	16	121	20	100	80 00	10 00	68 66	—	—	158 66
Cincinnati,	St. Paul's,	8	4	21	6	11	146	43	7	182	10	55	180 00	463 44	351 76	19 00	—	1,014 20
Cincinnati,	Trinity,	25	—	3	10	12	30	17	10	37	10	45	25 00	17 00	48 00	10 88	—	100 00
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	6	2	8	4	7	62	5	10	67	5	35	43 00	45 00	433 80	8 00	12 00	545 30
Cleveland,	Grace,	26	2	2	2	15	69	17	13	73	17	108	14 00	11 12	390 00	—	—	416 22
Cleveland,	St. Paul's,	13	6	15	9	17	135	20	5	150	15	100	80 00	106 69	172 00	50 00	—	408 69
Cleveland,	Trinity,	23	—	2	13	11	153	7	—	160	—	—	104 00	166 00	30 00	—	70 00	370 00
Columbia,	St. Luke's,	3	1	4	2	1	30	4	—	34	4	23	5 00	—	—	—	—	5 00
Columbus,	St. Paul's,	2	—	5	1	5	50	19	11	58	10	50	50 50	—	109 60	—	—	160 10
Columbus,	Trinity,	9	—	6	13	17	109	8	9	108	20	100	100 00	130 00	72 00	—	223 00	525 00
Cross Creek,	St. James',	3	—	—	3	2	57	—	5	52	—	—	30 00	5 10	—	4 55	—	39 65
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	4	—	—	5	6	55	4	8	52	7	20	30 00	59 12	75 10	5 51	5 50	175 53
Dayton,	Christ,	10	3	14	3	9	92	36	16	112	17	100	58 00	115 50	2,347 25	10 00	35 00	2,565 75
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	6	—	—	—	1	84	7	6	85	16	80	60 00	290 00	1,716 42	10 00	12 00	2,088 42
Dresden,	Zion,	2	—	—	—	—	28	1	—	29	18	100	12 00	46 50	218 00	2 00	—	278 50
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,	3	1	—	—	—	39	1	—	25	20	150	4 00	—	—	—	—	4 00
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,	—	—	—	—	—	39	—	1	38	—	—	10 00	—	—	—	—	10 00
East Springfield,	St. John's,	1	—	—	—	—	24	2	1	25	—	—	12 00	3 15	—	2 70	—	17 85
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	1	2	3	3	10	20	6	4	22	5	18	5 00	—	12 50	6 00	—	23 50
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	3	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	19	—	—	5 00	—	115 00	—	—	120 00
Franklin,	Christ,	3	—	—	8	13	28	9	5	33	5	25	6 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	—	19 00
Fremont,	St. Paul's,	5	—	—	—	2	18	—	4	14	7	40	5 00	—	29 79	—	—	34 79
Gambier,	Harcourt,	1	—	2	3	4	65	15	8	70	—	—	46 00	45 00	—	—	—	91 00
Granville,	St. Luke's,	2	1	4	—	3	65	13	16	62	6	25	23 50	160 00	51 00	—	65 00	299 50

Kingston,	St. James',	—	—	—	—	1	21	—	0	15	—	—	5 00	11 00	45 00	—	—	61 00
Lancaster,	St. John's,	7	—	—	—	—	†21	—	—	†21	—	—	—	6 00	—	—	—	6 00
Lyme,	Trinity,	8	2	6	—	—	25	7	8	22	—	—	9 00	27 25	—	—	—	36 25
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	1	—	—	—	—	22	3	—	25	—	—	10 00	12 50	—	—	—	24 50
Mansfield,	Grace,	8	1	8	1	3	23	8	2	29	14	72	14 00	20 00	591 00	2 00	21 00	646 00
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	1	2	7	2	3	48	16	3	61	6	30	13 00	—	—	—	—	13 00
Marion,	St. Paul's,	1	3	8	2	4	19	7	2	25	8	50	6 00	8 00	3 00	—	—	17 00
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	—	—	—	2	1	68	6	4	70	20	150	50 00	95 00	495 30	—	40 00	705 30
Medina,	St. Paul's,	5	1	15	13	12	151	16	3	164	10	70	40 00	10 00	45 00	10 00	50 00	155 00
Milan,	St. Luke's,	—	—	—	3	3	34	—	16	18	—	—	10 00	—	—	—	—	10 00
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,	3	—	—	—	—	27	—	1	34	—	—	8 00	—	—	—	—	8 00
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	6	—	6	3	7	144	3	12	145	10	60	61 00	—	46 00	12 66	102 34	223 00
Newark,	Trinity,	1	—	—	—	3	55	2	1	56	—	—	—	—	—	7 00	—	7 00
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	4	—	—	4	8	66	2	5	63	4	20	53 00	41 00	32 89	20 00	45 60	192 49
Ohio City,	St. John's,	13	2	17	6	11	87	27	6	108	8	50	25 00	36 69	11 00	10 00	23 65	106 34
Painesville,	St. James',	—	—	3	2	4	67	3	2	68	5	25	30 00	—	29 03	—	9 00	78 03
Penfield,	Christ,	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	—	11	5	20	4 00	—	10 50	15 00	—	29 50
Piqua,	St. James',	2	—	—	3	9	81	1	10	72	12	74	65 00	84 00	764 55	10 00	32 70	956 25
Pomeroy,	Grace,	10	5	—	—	16	41	15	13	43	12	90	12 00	—	40 00	3 36	—	55 36
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	10	4	20	9	21	142	28	18	152	21	96	80 00	134 00	30 00	—	105 00	369 00
Rome,	St. Peter's,	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	3	12	—	—	2 00	—	—	—	—	2 00
Sandusky City,	Grace,	12	4	—	4	21	83	18	13	88	12	70	65 00	83 35	58 36	15 00	10 10	131 81
Springfield,	Christ,	3	—	—	1	—	63	2	12	53	6	40	—	10 00	162 00	—	—	172 00
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	9	—	27	9	11	132	28	13	147	15	112	60 00	92 50	230 00	3 00	25 00	410 50
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,	5	—	—	—	1	20	—	—	20	—	—	5 00	—	—	—	—	5 00
Troy,	Trinity,	—	—	1	—	—	14	—	3	12	—	—	5 00	—	—	—	—	5 00
Urbana,	Epiphany,	6	3	5	1	4	25	8	3	30	9	35	12 00	12 50	38 24	—	5 10	67 84
Wakeman,	St. John's,	—	—	—	1	—	21	—	—	21	—	—	5 00	1 00	—	—	—	6 00
Warren,	Christ,	10	5	—	2	12	41	7	6	42	15	105	25 00	21 95	417 11	5 51	8 18	407 75
Wooster,	St. James',	—	—	—	—	—	34	2	4	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worthington,	St. John's,	1	1	2	4	3	39	10	2	47	8	40	12 00	10 00	69 28	7 07	—	96 35
Zanesville,	St. James',	4	1	7	6	11	133	13	12	134	15	86	97 00	191 00	74 00	25 00	63 00	450 00
15 parishes not reported,	- - - -			18			355			†355			51 00	5 00				56 00
Totals,		393	70	273	230	401	4351	537	408	4525	461	2635	$2,323 00	$3,476 85	$10,117 01	$285 56	$784 53	$17,790 38

† As last reported.

SUMMARY
OF
PAROCHIAL REPORTS AND BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Number of parishes in union with the Convention,.....82
Number of parishes without a clergyman,.....22
Number of clergymen having more than one parochial charge,..... 7
Baptisms—
  Infants, in 55 parishes,.....393
  Adults, in 24 parishes,..... 70
Confirmations, in 35 parishes,.....273
Communicants—
  Added, new and by transfer, in 52 parishes,.....537
  Lost, by removals, deaths and discipline, in 54 parishes,.....408
  Present number, (taking latest reports,) in 82 parishes,.....4,525
Marriages in 43 parishes,.....230
Burials in 48 parishes,.....401
S. Schools in 42 parishes—average number teachers and pupils,.3,096
Contributions reported for—
  Bishop's salary and Contingent fund, in 66 parishes,....$2,323.00
  Missions and Education, in 45 parishes,..... 3,476.85
  Parochial objects, in 43 parishes, (many not reporting,)..10,117.01
  Widows' and Orphans' Society in 29 parishes,..... 285.56
  Other benevolent objects, in 25 parishes,..... 784.53
  Amount for all objects, except ministers' salaries, 70 par., $17,790.38
Ordinations—Deacons, 5; Presbyters, 2;.....7
Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese,.....14

From 15 parishes and 11 clergymen no reports have been received; and many of those received are too imperfect for any very accurate estimate to be formed of the condition of the Church in this Diocese. Still, there is, from year to year, a gradual improvement in the fullness of the reports.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wm. Wood, *Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio*,
To Episcopate Fund, Dr.

For am't received from various Parishes during current year,	$1936 65
Contra, Cr.	
By cash paid Bishop of Diocese	$1936 65

Diocese of Ohio,
To Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, Dr.

For salary for current year	$2000 00	
" contingent expenses	48 16	
" interest on balance unpaid last year	33 63	
		$2081 79
Contra, Cr.		
By cash paid him as per Treasurer's account		$2018 44

Wm. Wood, *Treasurer*,
To Contingent Fund, Dr.

For cash received during current year	$377 50	
For balance from last year	26 18	
		$403 68
Contra, Cr.		
By am't paid Secretary at close of last Convention,	$26 18	
" " " Scott & Bascom for printing, &c.	152 65	
" " " H. L. Noble	1 25	
Rev. Jos. Muenscher on order, $15 00 / Interest on same 2 61	17 61	
" " " for blank book, stamps, traveling expenses, &c.	29 27	
" " " Bishop, contingent expenses	48 16	
" " " " interest on arrears	33 63	
" " " Secretary, to prepay postage on Journals, &c., for ensuing year, as per resolution of Convention, p. 28	20 00	
Balance on hand	74 93	
		$403 68

The following are the only claims known to the Treasurer, against both funds:

Balance due the Bishop on this year's salary	$63 85
" " " arrears last year	560 57
Amount due Bishop	$624 02

On the following pages will be found the Treasurer's account with the several Parishes:

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Akron, St. Paul's,	$20 00	$32 00		$22 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's,	20 00	120 00	$5 00	29 48
Bellevue, St. Paul's,	10 00		2 00	
Berkshire, Grace,	8 00		2 00	
Boardman, St. James',		43 25		9 00
Canfield, St. Stephen's,		17 50		4 00
Centerville, St. David's,	6 00	4 00	1 00	
Chillicothe, St. Paul's,	80 00		12 00	
Cincinnati, Christ,	250 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. John's,	70 00		10 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's,	150 00		30 00	
Cincinnati, Trinity,	20 00		5 00	
Circleville, St. Philip's,	35 00		8 00	
Cleveland, Grace,	10 00	60 00	4 00	7 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's,	70 00		10 00	
Cleveland, Trinity,	90 00		14 00	
Columbia, St. Luke's,	4 00		1 00	
Columbus, St. Paul's,	34 50		16 00	
Columbus, Trinity,	85 00	53 36	15 00	42 00
Cross Creek, St. James',	25 00	13 55	5 00	2 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's,	27 00		5 00	
Dayton, Christ,	50 00		8 00	
Delaware, St. Peter's,	50 00		10 00	
Dresden, Zion,	10 00		2 00	
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's,	4 15	1 85	1 00	1 00
E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's	8 00		2 00	
E. Springfield, St. John's,	10 00	10 00	2 00	2 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's,	4 00		1 00	
Euclid, St. Paul's,	4 00		1 00	1 00
Franklin, Christ,	4 00		2 00	
Fremont, St. Paul's,	4 00		1 00	
Gallipolis, St. Peter's,		4 00		1 00
Gambier, Harcourt,	40 00		6 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's,		18 00		10 00
Granville, St. Luke's,	20 00		3 50	
Greenville, St. Paul's,		4 00		2 00
Hamilton, St. Matthew's,		8 00		4 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's,		2 00		1 00
Hudson, Christ,	18 00		5 00	
Huron, Christ,	4 00	20 50	2 00	7 00
Jefferson, Trinity,	5 00		1 00	
Kingston, St. James',	4 00		1 00	
Lancaster, St. John's,		4 00		1 00
Lyme, Trinity,	8 00		1 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's,	8 00		2 00	

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT—*Continued.*

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Mansfield, Grace,.....	10 00	20 00	4 00	8 00
Marietta, St. Luke's,.....	13 00	22 00		15 00
Marion, St. Paul's,.....	4 00		2 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's,..	40 00		10 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's,..	5 00			2 00
Medina, St. Paul's,.....	35 00		5 00	
Milan, St. Luke's,.....	10 00	10 00		6 00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's,...	5 00		3 00	
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's,...	51 00	14 00	10 00	
Newark, Trinity,.....		74 00		20 00
Newton Falls, St. Mark's,.	10 00		5 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's, ...	35 00		6 00	
Ohio City, St. John's,....	20 00		5 00	
Painesville, St. James',...	25 00		5 00	
Penfield, Christ,.....	3 00		1 00	
Peninsula, Bethel,.		15 00		3 00
Perry, St. Matthew's,.....	4 00		2 00	
Piqua, St. James',.....	55 00		10 00	
Pomeroy, Grace,.....	10 00		2 00	
Portsmouth, All Saints',..	* 75 00		* 15 00	
Rome, St. Peter's,.....	1 00	4 50	1 00	6 00
Roscoe, Immanuel,.....		15 00		3 00
Sandusky City, Grace,....	55 00		10 00	
Springfield, Christ,.....		15 00		2 00
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas',		10 00		2 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's,...	50 00		10 00	
Strongsville, St. Philip's,..	4 00		1 00	
Toledo, Trinity, ...	20 00		5 00	
Troy, Trinity,.....	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00
Unionville, St. Michael's,..		2 00		1 00
Urbana, Epiphany,.....	10 00		2 00	
Wakeman, St. John's,....	4 00		1 00	
Warren, Christ,.....	20 00		5 00	
Windsor, Christ,.....				
Wooster, St. James',.....		15 00		3 00
Worthington, St. John's,..	10 00		2 00	
Zanesville, St. James',....	85 00		12 00	
Total.....	$1936 65	$635 51	$377 50	$218 48

* $5,00 of this amount paid since Convention, and not included in the addings at the bottom.

The Treasurer, in closing this, his *last* annual report, (if his wishes are consulted,) would respectfully suggest to the Convention the expediency of appointing a committee to report at the next Convention some

plan for raising a fund which shall be so invested as to furnish a permanent income for the annual payment of the Episcopate and Contingent expenses of this Diocese. The effort to raise sufficient money in the usual manner, to pay the expenses just mentioned, has, in most instances, been a very unpleasant duty to the minister. It brings him, as well as the Bishop, in contact with the members of the Church in secular matters, which, unquestionably, tends to impair their usefulness.

He would also further remark, that notwithstanding many of the parishes had their arrearages wiped from the records, at previous Conventions, upon assurances that their future engagements should be promptly met, still their deficiencies are again rapidly accumulating. This state of things is deeply to be regretted, and loudly calls for some change in the mode of raising the necessary funds.

Although an order recommending voluntary contributions for the payment of the arrears of the Episcopate, was passed at the last Convention, the only sum forwarded to the Treasurer was $12, by the Rev. Mr. Winthrop, of St. Paul's, Norwalk.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WOOD, *Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.*

DIOCESAN MISSIONS AND EDUCATION.

A. BLAKE, *Treasurer, in account with the* MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS *of the Diocese of Ohio.*

1851-2.	Dr.
Balance reported last year,	$14.96
Convention coll., Cleveland, 1851,	69.29
Akron, St. Paul's,	2.69
Canfield, St. Stephen's,	5.00
Chillicothe, St. Paul's,	83.17
Cincinnati, Christ, collections,	403.80
ladies' society,	100.00
St. Paul's, collections,	131.19
ladies' soc'y,	25.00
St. John's,	10.00
Trinity, sunday school,	11.00
Circleville, St. Philip's, collections,	46.00
s. school,	5.00
Cleveland, St. Paul's, collections,	60.55
s. school,	15.00
Grace,	11.22
Columbus, Trinity,	73.00
Cross Creek, St. James',	5.10
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's,	46.00
Dayton, Christ,	19.50
Delaware, St. Peter's,	10.00
Dresden, Zion,	40.50
East Springfield, St. John's,	3.15
Franklin, Christ,	2.00
Gambier, Harcourt,	45.00
Granville, St. Luke's, benev. soc'y,	10.00
Huron, Christ,	5.00
Kingston, St. James', Mrs. Maxwell,	5.00
Lancaster, St. John's,	5.00
Lyme, Trinity,	11.25
Madison, St. Matthew's,	10.50
Mansfield, Grace,	10.00
Marietta, St. Luke's,	10.00
Marion, St. Paul's, [soc.	10.00
Massillon, St. Timothy's, fem. miss.	35.00
five ladies of do. $1 each,	5.00
Medina, St. Paul's, to Rev. A. Phelps,	10.00
Mrs. Warner, to do.	5.00
Norwalk, St. Paul's, collections,	25.00
Rev. E. Winthrop, sub'n,	5.00
Ohio City, St. John's,	21.00
Piqua, St. James,	44.00
Portsmouth, All Saints',	58.00
Sandusky, Grace,	77.20
Springfield, Christ,	10.00
Steubenville, St. Paul's,	20.00
Urbana, Epiphany,	12.50
Warren, Christ,	12.18
Worthington, St. John's,	10.00
Zanesville, St. James,	65.00
Miss S. Stocker, Boston, Mass.	10.00
Mrs. L. Kiderling, Washington, D.C.	10.00
	$1,749.75

1852.		Cr.
Cash paid Missionaries (arrears)		$532.35
Paid Rev. A. Edwards, (due 1850)		15.00
Beneficiaries, (arrears)		66.06
		$613.41
Paid Missionaries, present year:		
Rev. A. Edwards,	$60.00	
Rev. T. B. Dooley,	38.00	
Rev. A. Bronson,	50.00	
Rev. R. Gray,	100.00	
Rev. H. Hollis,	28.25	
Rev. C. B. Stout,	70.90	
Rev. A. T. McMurphey,	75.00	
Rev. S. Marks,	30.00	
Rev. G. B. Sturges,	58.00	
Rev. A. Phelps,	50.00	
Do. special donation from Medina,	15.00	
		$575.15
Paid Beneficiaries present year,		560.00
Postage, &c.		1.19
		$1,749.75

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' SOCIETY.

THE Seventh Annual Meeting of the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, was holden in St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, on the morning of September 10th, 1852. The Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese and ex officio President of the Society, took the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary submitted his Annual Report, which, on motion, was accepted:

THE SECRETARY'S SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

From the report of the Treasurer made to the Society at its last annual meeting, it appears that at that time the funds of our association amounted to the sum of $4,544.01 in notes, bonds and bank stock, and $585.13 in cash, in the hands of the Treasurer, making a total of $5,129.14. The funds now consist, according to the report of that officer about to be submitted, to the sum of $5,319.71, in obligations and securities, and $397.33 in cash—total, $5,717.04, which shows an aggregate increase of $587.90.

Since the last report three new members have been added to the Society, viz: Rev. Messrs. George Thompson, H. N. Bishop and James McElroy.

The late Rev. T. Jarvis Carter, rector of Grace Church, Cleveland, was a member at the time of his death, but not of a standing sufficiently long, according to the provisions of the fundamental laws, to entitle him to a beneficial interest.

The present number of members is 63.

The following churches have taken up collections in aid of the society since the last report, viz: St. Paul's Church, Norwalk; St. Peter's, Delaware; Zion Church, Dresden; Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. Matthew's, Madison; Christ Church, Warren; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls (2); St. Mark's, Newton Falls; Epiphany Church, Urbana; St. Paul's, Medina; St. Paul's, Marion; St. John's, Cincinnati; Trinity Church, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cleveland; St. John's, Troy, N. Y.; St. Andrew's, Elyria; Christ Church, Hudson; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. James', Cross Creek; St. John's, East Springfield; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. Paul's, Mount Vernon—total, 22.

The whole amount of receipts from this source, including the annual collection at the Convention, in Trinity Church, Cleveland, is $339.02. The largest sum obtained from this source during any previous year, was $281.06, which shows an increase over any former year of $57.96.

The productive funds of the society at the present time consist of 11 shares Mechanics' Bank Stock, New York city, the present value of which is $217.80; 17 Knox county Bonds, $1,700; and 1 Milwaukee and Mississippi Railroad Bond, $1,000, amply secured and bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. The annual income from these funds may be estimated at $212, and the annual assessment of the present members, $189; so that the receipts from these two sources alone, independently of parochial collections, may be expected to amount, during the next year, to not less than $400.

But, although the present condition and future prospects of the society are thus encouraging, and call for much thankfulness, we are far from having reached the point required to ensure permanency to our Institution and provide adequately against the losses by death to which the Society is liable. We have made a good beginning, unostentatiously and with very little effort, and it now devolves upon every member to do his part towards placing the society, as soon

as possible, in a condition of entire safety and permanent usefulness. This can easily be done by means of parochial collections; and that the members in charge of parishes *beyond* the limits of this Diocese, as well as those within the Diocese, may render efficient aid in this way, is manifest from the praiseworthy example which has been set the past year by St. John's Church, Troy, in the Diocese of New York. It is to be hoped that this example will be followed by others, and that our brother members in other Dioceses, will show that they are mindful of the obligations which rest equally upon all connected with the society, to explain its object and urge its claims upon their respective churches, and receive the free-will offerings of the lay members of our communion, to this truly Christian charity. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

The Treasurer's Report was then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, accepted.

On motion, the Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Wing and Rev. Messrs. Smallwood and Cumming a committee to confer with the Secretary and Treasurer in relation to the investment of money and any other matters pertaining to the financial concerns of the Society.

The Secretary then read the following paper, drawn up by himself for the information of the Society:

I have several times been solicited by members of the Society to allow them to anticipate future payments,—to accept the sum of $30, for instance, in one payment, in lieu of $3 in ten successive annual payments; and thereby place the member of one year's standing upon the same footing, in reference to annuities, with the member of ten years. In favor of such a course it has been plausibly argued that it would be equally advantageous to the Society to receive $30 at once as $3 annually for ten successive years; nay, more advantageous, because the former sum at compound interest would amount to considerably more at the end of ten years than would the latter sum annually paid and put at interest for the same length of time. Now to such suggestions I have invariably declined to listen, for the following reasons, which, for the satisfaction of all other members who might be disposed to make similar requests, I desire may be published with the minutes, if the society should think proper so to order.

Before proceeding to the particular subject referred to, it may not be impertinent to make one general remark. In the organization of this Society two points were specially aimed at, viz: to secure, if possible, the permanency of the institution, and to maintain perfect equality of rights and privileges among its members:—the former in order to inspire confidence, the latter to prevent dissatisfaction. In all that has been done thus far for the Society, these points have been steadily kept in view as essential to its usefulness. As at present conducted, no preference is shown to one class of clergymen over another — the rectors of large and wealthy parishes and those of small and feeble parishes—the city and the country clergy, all stand upon the same basis.

The line of conduct proposed by some for adoption is liable to the following weighty objections: It would be a palpable violation both of the letter and spirit of our fundamental laws,—it would be suicidal in its consequences, and therefore extremely impolitic and unwise,—and it would destroy that equality of rights among the members which is deemed to be a most important feature in our plan of operations, and therefore would be inexpedient and unjust.

1. It would be a violation of fundamental law, both in letter and spirit. One has only to read Laws 1, 4, and 5, to be satisfied that provision is made for the payment of $3 annually for a series of years, and no other is contemplated. Indeed, Law 4 provides that the beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one full year from the time of his becoming a member, nor until his second annual assessment of $3 is paid. Now the first clause of this law plainly prohibits the Secretary from receiving or placing to the credit of a member his second assessment until the time specified has elapsed. The member may, indeed, hand to the Secretary the required sum at any time previous, if he chooses, but it can be legally regarded only in the light of a deposit, applicable to his benefit only when the proper time shall have arrived. This is important to be noted, because members frequently make a payment from convenience some three or four months in advance. If now a member may not anticipate the time of his annual payment, it is clear that he cannot be permitted to anticipate the fifth or sixth annual payments. The same reason may not exist for the prohibition in the former case as in the latter, but other reasons exist equally weighty and imperative.

2. The course recommended would be suicidal in its effects. On the present plan, if a member dies at the termination of the second year of his membership, his family would be entitled to an annuity of $50. But upon the plan proposed, they would be entitled to an annuity of $100, while the only pecuniary benefit to the Society would be the difference between $6 and interest, and $30 and interest. This would be for the paltry sum of $24, doubling our annuities, when we now promise as much as is compatible with the safety of the Society, and more than is promised by any other similar society upon the same terms.

Finally: The course desired by some would operate most unequally, and consequently unjustly. Here is a city clergyman, with a comparatively large salary, able to pay down, without much inconvenience to himself, the gross sum of $30; and in charge of a parish, also, which, by one or two collections can contribute enough to pay off his premium note. Should he die in the course of two or three years, his family would come at once into the possession of an anuity of $100. There is a country clergyman, with a very small salary, who cannot possibly abstract $30 from his annual stipend to pay into the treasury of this Society, and whose parish can contribute only $5 or $10 a year by collections, towards paying off his premium note. From necessity, not choice, therefore, he pays the annual sum of $3. Should he die after a like term of membership, his family would receive an annuity of only $50, and the first annuity, even then, might be absorbed in the unpaid premium note. Who does not perceive at a glance the palpable injustice of such a course? And how could we have confidence to ask our parishioners to give aid and countenance to such a system? Our present plan is simple, easily understood and approved by all. Our true policy is to make no changes and introduce no innovations, and we may confidently expect, by the blessing of God, a still firmer and stronger hold upon the sympathies of the Church.

On motion, the Society adjourned till Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

SATURDAY, *September* 11—8 a. m.

Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and approved.

The Secretary was instructed to publish, in connection with the annual proceedings, the paper read by him yesterday.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Cumming, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to ascertain what sum in gross may be received with perfect safety by the Society from a member, in order to entitle his family to the largest annuity now pledged, and report at the next annual meeting.

The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were duly elected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., President, *(ex officio.)*

Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Secretary.

GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Treasurer.

The Society then, on motion, adjourned *sine die*.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary*.

RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

TREASURER'S

DR. *The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society, in*

1851.		NOTES.	CASH.
Sept.	By balance as per last report,	$4,544 01	$585 13
	By C. W. Fitch, $3; Henry Payne, $3; C. W. Fitch, donation, 87c.; H. B. Wallbridge, $3; E. H. Cumming, $3; R. Gray, interest, 18c.;		13 05
	Collection St. Paul's church, Norwalk, $20; do. St. Peter's, Delaware, $6; do. Zion church, Dresden, $2; contribution, Christ church, Cincinnati, $25;		53 00
	J. B. Britton, $3; J. L. Bryan, $3; A. Blake, $3; Bishop McIlvaine, $3; Dr. Brooke, $3; E. Winthrop, interest, 37c.;		15 37
	Collection St. Matthew's church, Madison, $2; Christ church, Warren, $5.65; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, $6; St. Mark's, Newton Falls, $1.88;		15 53
	G. W. DuBois, $3; A. Bronson, $3; Dr. Perry, $3; L. L. Holden, $3; C. B. Stout, $3; W. A. Smallwood, $3; A. Guion, $3; N. Badger, $3;		21 00
	Collection Epiphany church, Urbana, $5; St. Paul's, Medina, $5.39; St Paul's, Warren, $1.43;		11 82
	A. Phelps, $3; G. B. Sturges, $3.57; T. Jarvis Carter, $3; W. R. Nicholson, $3; E. Burr, $5;		17 57
	Collection St. John's church, Cincinnati,		50 00
	G. Thompson, $3; H. N. Bishop, $3; L. Burton, $3; L. Windsor, $6.36; Dr. R. B. Claxton, $3;		18 36
	Collection at Convention, Trinity church, Cleveland,		65 00
	Contribution from Mrs. Buttles, Cleveland,		1 00
	A. F. Dobb, accepted order on Harcourt Parish,	32 00	
	H. N. Bishop, premium note, $50; George Thomson, do. $50;	100 00	
Oct.	By Milwaukie & Mississippi Railroad Bond,	1,000 00	
Dec.	By Alvah Guion, balance of premium note,		30 00
Jan.	By Coupon, Milwaukie & Mississippi Railroad Bond,		50 00
1852.	Edward Lounsbery, $5; John Ufford, $3; F. B. Nash, $3; S. Y. McMasters, $5;		16 00
	Collection Trinity church, Cincinnati,		10 00
Feb.	By cash proceeds of Knox county Bond sold,		80 00
	By cash dividends in Bank Stock, May and Oct., 1851,		19 80
	By cash, Coupons Knox county Bonds,		108 00
June	Collection, St. Paul's church, Cleveland,		50 26
	Dr. Smith, $3; Dr. Wing, $3; G. Denison, $3; E. H. Canfield, $3; E. Boyden, $3; Dr. Bronson, $3; E. Lounsbery, $3;		21 00
	Collection, St. John's church, Troy, N. Y.,		30 00
	Collection, St. Andrew's, Elyria, $6; Christ church, Hudson, $4;		10 00
	G. D. Gillespie, $3; E. A. Strong, $3;		6 00
July	Cash, Coupon, Milwaukie & Mississippi Railroad Bond,		50 00
Aug.	Collection, St. Philip's church, Circleville,		8 00
	H. Blackaller, $3.09; D. W. Tolford, $10;		13 09
	James McElroy,	50 00	3 00
	Collection, St. James', Cross Creek, $4.55; St. John's church, East Springfield, $2.70;		7 25
	John Swan, $3; Intrepid Morse, $3;		6 00
	Dividend on Bank Stock,		9 90
	Interest received on temporary loans,		32 86
	Collection, St. John's church, Cuyahoga Falls, $5.51; St. Paul's church, Chillicothe, $10;		15 51
Sept.	Collection, St. Paul's church, Mt. Vernon,		12 66
		$5,726 01	$1459 16
		406 30	1061 83
	Balance,	$5,319 71	$397 33

REPORT.

Account with GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.* CR.

1851.		NOTES.	CASH.
Sept.	To E. Winthrop, 2 notes given up,	6 00	
	do. off premium note,	11 00	
	W. C. French, off premium note,	3 00	
	A. T. McMurphey, "	25 00	
	L. L. Holden, "	6 00	
	C. B. Stout, "	5 00	
	G. S. Davis, note given up,	2 26	
	George B. Sturges, off premium note,	1 43	
	W. R. Nicholson, premium note given up,	50 00	
	E. Burr, off premium note,	2 00	
	A. F. Dobb, premium note given up,	32 00	
Dec.	A. Guion, premium note given up,	30 00	
Jan.	Ed. Lounsbery, off premium note,	1 94	
1852.	R. Gray, "	7 00	
	S. Y. McMasters, "	1 88	
	Cash paid Dr. Muenscher, sundry postages,		98
	do. Scott & Bascom, printing report,		5 50
Feb.	Knox county Bond sold,	100 00	
	Dr. Perry, premium note given up,	50 00	
June	Cash paid Dr. Muenscher, sundry postages,		1 02
	Ed. Lounsbery, off premium note,	30 00	
	A. Clark, "	3 00	
	T. B. Fairchild, "	76	
Aug.	H. N. Bishop, "	8 00	
	D. W. Tolford, "	3 70	
	L. N. Freeman, "	6 91	
	L. L. Holden, "	5 50	
	Sundry postages, by Dr. Muenscher,		33
	H. Hollis, off premium note,	4 25	
	Cash paid for Milwaukie & Mississippi Railroad Bond, together with interest, exchange, postage, &c.,		1054 00
Sept.	Jos. Muenscher, off premium note,	9 66	
		$406 30	$1061 83

The following sums were received during Convention, after the foregoing report was closed:

Collection—St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, $19; Christ Church, Dayton, $10; St. James' Church, Zanesville, $25; St. John's Church, Worthington, $7.07; St. Paul's Church, Medina, $10; St. Peter's Church, Delaware, $10; Christ Church, Cincinnati, $94.32; St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, $20; St. James' Church, Piqua, $10; Zion Church, Dresden, $2; St. Matthew's Church, Madison, $2; Christ Church, Franklin Mills, $3; St. John's Church, Ohio City, $10; Children of Christ Church Sunday School, Warren, $5.51; Grace Church, Sandusky city, $15; Trinity Church, Newark, $7; Grace Church, Pomeroy, $3.36; annual collection at Convention in St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, $38 02; Rev. Messrs. N. Badger, note and interest, $3.18; Wm. A. Smallwood, $3; C. B. Stout, $3; L. L. Holden, $3; J. W. Clark, $3; R. S. Nash, $3.05; Abr. Bronson, $3; E. Burr, $3; W. R. Nicholson, $3; A. Blake, $3; E. H. Cumming, $3; Lawson Carter, $3; G. W. Dubois, $3; G. Thompson, $3; J. L. Bryan, $3; H. N. Bishop, $3; M. R. Jukes, $3; T. B. Dooley, $3; D. A. Tyng, $3.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS
OF THE
CLERGY WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for $50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of $3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid; and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, ($50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments, and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, ($75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, ($100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again, in which case their annuities shall cease, and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one

years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother, or when the child come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow; but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years, if a male, or twenty-five, if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided, always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow, if she be alive, and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

THIS Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Wednesday of September in every year, at such place as the preceding Convention shall appoint. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VII

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IVth Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

CANONS.

CANON I.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

SECT. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the

General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SECT. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

OF DEFUNCT PARISHES.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

CANON V.

OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

CANON VI.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister; specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 2. In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

SECT. 3. Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VIII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON IX.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON X.

OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XIth Canon of the General Convention.

CANON XI.

OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XII.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XIII.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIV.

OF MISSIONS AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XV.

OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XVI.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVII.

OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

tingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVIII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES

IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention:]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechised by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes: Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday School—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be Incorporated—Therefore,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

SEC. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

SEC. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
ALLEN TRIMBLE,
Speaker of the Senate.

December 29, 1824.

An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said

Seminary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

SEC. 2. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "the President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

SEC. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragment of theological learning: and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "the President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WILLIAM HAWKINS,
Speaker of the Senate.

March 16, 1839.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon Donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823; and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: provided, that all such rules, regulations, statutes, or other proceedings, shall for ever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination—provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students, for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however, does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Matthews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested, do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage: provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be, making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821.

RESOLUTIONS OF A PERMANENT NATURE.

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that all sports arising from severe, and cruel exercises, imposed upon animals of the brute creation, besides their evil tendency, in a moral point of view, are inconsistent with the humane precepts and doctrines of Christianity; and ought not to be, in any manner, countenanced by the members of a Christian Church. And, as theatrical amusements, besides that they are frequently coarse, and indelicate, tend rather to excite the feelings, and inflame the imagination, than to enlighten the mind, in matters of vital concern, or to correct the evil passions of the heart; they cannot, therefore, supply any thing proper, for Christian improvement, and ought not to be frequented, especially by communicants.—*Passed June*, 1821.

Whereas, The practice of mixing in the fashionable amusements of the world, is inconsistent with the principles of Christianity, and has a direct tendency to check the progress of vital religion: Therefore,

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that it be earnestly recommended to the members of the Church, to abstain from frequenting BALLS, and other places of vain amusement; and that they likewise use their influence with their families and dependents, to induce them to abandon such practices.—*Passed June*, 1825.

Resolved, As the opinion of this Convention, and they strongly recommend it to all the members of their communion throughout the Diocese, not only that daily family prayer should be established in each family, but also that as a means of keeping alive and increasing a spirit of piety in the hearts of our members, measures be taken wheresoever practicable, to assemble themselves together for the purpose of religious worship, at least one evening in every week.—*Passed September*, 1831.

Resolved, That whereas the worship of Almighty God in daily prayer together with the reading of the Scriptures, has always been considered the duty of a Christian; this Convention do therefore earnestly and affectionately recommend that every family in the Church of which they are the representatives, observe and practice this pious custom.—*Passed September*, 1831.

Resolved, That this Convention consider it the duty of every Parish to be represented in this Convention, and that the expenses of the Clergy should be paid by the Parishes respectively.—*Passed November*, 1835.

Resolved, 1, That this Convention anew express their hearty recognition of the great principles on which the Missionary organization of our Church is based, viz: that under God the conversion of the world is the legitimate and proper duty of the Church, and that every member of the same is bound by his connexion with it to aid in this holy enterprise to the utmost of his ability.

Resolved, 2, That the success with which it has pleased God to crown the labors of the Board of Missions, its Committees and Secretaries, is an abundant cause of thanksgiving on the part of the Church, and offers the highest encouragement to renewed zeal, diligence, effort and prayer in the exalted work of sending the Gospel into all lands.

Resolved, 3, That as a body and as individuals we pledge ourselves to sustain, as far as God shall give us the ability, the efforts which the Board of Missions

are making in the discharge of the weighty trust confided to them; and that we most earnestly commend the cause to the efforts and contributions, and above all to the prayers of the Churches in our Diocese.

Resolved, 4, That it be recommended to the clergy and laity as a most important matter, to promote the circulation of the publication entitled the "Spirit of Missions," in their respective parishes, since the diffusion of missionary intelligence is absolutely necessary to awaken and cherish the proper feelings of interest in the missionary work.

Resolved, 5, That it be recommended to the clergy of the several parishes to adopt, as soon as practicable, *systematic measures* for obtaining contributions in aid of the funds of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society.—*Passed Sept.*, 1836.

Resolved, 1, That the common excuses, such as want of time, the article of expense, the anxiety to reach home, &c., which are usually urged to justify Sunday traveling, are almost always invalid and such as most men would blush to urge in justification of violating any other command of the moral law.

Resolved, 2, That the Clergy and Laity of this Church use their special efforts to promote, the former by preaching, and both, by example and influence and conversation, the more conscientious observance of the 41st Canon of the General Convention, which reads thus: "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

Resolved, 3, That it be recommended to the clergy to bring the subject before the minds of the people on the twentieth Sunday after Trinity.—*Passed September*, 1836.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report quarterly through the diocesan paper, the amount of money received by him for the Episcopate fund, and from whence received.—*Passed Sept.* 1841.

Resolved, That the expenses of the Treasurer in going to and from the Convention, be paid out of the Treasury of the Diocese.—*Passed Sept.* 1841.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the several members of the Church in this Diocese to adopt the plan of systematic charity recommended by St. Paul, to lay by in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them, for this, and other benevolent objects.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of this Diocese, that united prayer be offered at stated monthly meetings for the extension and success of missions.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, 1, That a sermon on the claims of the Holy Ministry upon young men be preached annually before this Convention, at such time and by such clergyman as the Bishop shall appoint.

Resolved, 2, That the Clergy of this Diocese be recommended to bring before their congregations at least once a year the claims of the ministry upon young men, and at the same time pressing upon the people the claims of those young men for support while pursuing their studies preparatory to the work of the ministry.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the duty of catechetical instruction of the baptized children of the Church is one which ought to receive the diligent attention of every parochial clergyman in the Diocese.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is the solemn duty of every *true and consistent Protestant Episcopal Churchman*, to oppose, in every appropriate position, and by all proper means, all the essential and distinguishing features of that system of error which is known by the name "Tractarianism."—*Passed September*, 1847.

Resolved, 1, That it be earnestly recommended to every parish in the Diocese, where it has not already been done, to adopt some plan of regular, stated, systematic contribution for missionary objects.

Resolved, 2, That it be also earnestly recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of the Diocese, to make a remittance to the Missionary and Education Committee, at least once a quarter, say on the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

Resolved, 3, That it be also earnestly recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of the Diocese, to forward all moneys collected for domestic missions to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, with the understanding that if there should be more than enough to supply the wants of the Diocese, the surplus shall be forwarded by the committee to the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee in New York.

Resolved, 4, That it be recommended to individuals and parishes, as far as practicable to assume the support of beneficiaries preparatory to the work of the Holy Ministry.—*Passed September*, 1847.

Resolved, That this Convention do recommend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese; and the several members, both clerical and lay, are requested to use their exertions to increase its circulation.—*Passed Oct.*, 1849.

Resolved, That hereafter the Clerical Reports, in addition to the other statistics, give the names of the Wardens of each Parish for the time being.—*Passed September*, 1850.

Whereas, it seems to this Convention both just and expedient that it should do *all it can* for the permanent and efficient promotion and well-being of the only Educational Institution of the Diocese—Kenyon College; Therefore,

Resolved, 1, That we deeply feel, and sincerely deplore the spirit of apathy that has evidently rested upon the minds of too many to whom the Institution has a right to look for warm approval and vigorous aid.

Resolved, 2, That under its present regimen, we believe that our educational wants, as a denomination, can be fully met, and our just wishes consummated.

Resolved, 3, That the Clergy of this Diocese do renewedly pledge themselves to each other, and to the authorities of Kenyon College, that, under the blessing of Heaven, and with the counsel of their respected Diocesan, they will make all laudable exertions for the accomplishment of the end herein proposed.

Resolved, 4, That the hearty coöperation of every layman, especially those whose ample pecuniary means and advantageous position in society evidently give them peculiar ability, is respectfully solicited.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Resolved, 1, That it is the duty of each baptized person in the Church to contribute towards the support and extension of Diocesan Missions and Education.

Resolved, 2, That the Rectors and Ministers of the Parishes of this Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested, within a reasonable time after adjournment, in person or by others, to call upon all the members of their congregations to contribute statedly, according to their ability, to this object.

Resolved, 3, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to introduce the plan of weekly contributions to Diocesan Missions, according to the Scriptural requirement.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to bring forward the arrearages due the Bishop, in his current account from year to year, but to state the amount of arrearages, and when such arrearages accrued, and add the interest thereon.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Notice.

THE Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be holden in St. Peter's Church, Delaware, on Wednesday, September 14th, 1853.

W. C. FRENCH, *Secretary*.

Advertisement.

THE undersigned proposes, if sufficient encouragement is received, to reprint, in a style equal to this Journal, the first five Journals of Conventions in this Diocese, embracing the history of the establishment of the Church in Ohio from 1818 to 1823, to be followed, if thought advisable, by a republication of others. The price, for the first five Journals in a stiff printed cover, will be 20 cts. for single copies, or 6 copies for $1.00. The work will be put in hand as soon as four or five hundred subscribers are obtained. Address

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LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, SEPTEMBER, 1853.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. ELI ADAMS.*

" " NORMAN BADGER, Principal of a Select School at Gambier.

" " JAMES E. BATTIN.*

" " HENRY BLACKALLER, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.

" " ALFRED BLAKE, B.D., Principal of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier.

" " JOHN BOYD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

" " JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,* residing at Painesville.

" " JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

" " JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological Seminary, and of Mental Philosophy and Rhetoric in Kenyon College, Gambier.

" " JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.

" " ERASTUS BURR, D.D., Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

" " LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

" " LAWSON CARTER, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

" " T. W. CLAPP,* Deacon, residing at Fremont.

" " ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

" " JOHN W. CLARK, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

" " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

" " THOMAS CORLETT,* Deacon.

" " E. H. CUMMING, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

" " G. S. DAVIS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

" " GEORGE DENISON, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Kenyon College, Gambier.

" " THOMAS B. DOOLEY, Rector of Grace Church, Pomeroy, and Miss'ry.

" " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTLE, Deacon, and Minister of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's Church, Canfield. P. O., Canfield.

" " GEORGE WASHINGTON DUBOIS, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

" " ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county, and Missionary.

" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

" " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

* Not entitled to seats in this Convention, according to Article IV of the Constitution.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Secretary of the Convention. P. O., Columbus.
" " FRANCIS GRANGER,* Deacon.
" " WILLIAM GRANVILLE,* residing at Medina.
" " RICHARD GRAY, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and City Missionary.
" " JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rome. P. O., Ashtabula.
" " H. T. HEISTER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fremont.
" " HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson county, and Missionary. P. O., Steubenville.
" " LEVI L. HOLDEN, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.
" " WM. NORMAN IRISH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.
" " MARK RICHARD JUKES, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City, and Missionary.
" " CHARLES F. LEWIS, Principal of a Female Seminary in Springfield.
" " JAMES MCELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.
" " ALBERT T. MCMURPHEY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's, Madison, and Missionary.
" " SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron.
" " D. C. MAXBIN,* Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Akron.
" " INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.
" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.
" " RODNEY S. NASH, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.
" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bellevue, and Trinity Church, Lyme.
" " F. B. NASH, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
" " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.
" " JAMES E. PATTISON, Deacon, Minister of St. James' Church, Wooster.
" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D., Associate Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.
" " HENRY PAYNE,* Agent of the American Sunday School Union, Mount Vernon.
" " ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of Christ Church, Franklin Mills.
" " HENRY P. POWERS.*
" " WILLIAM PRESTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
" " DANIEL RISSER, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Lancaster.
" " CHANDLER ROBBINS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
" " JOSEPH E. RYAN,* Deacon.
" " ALVAH SANFORD, residing at Granville.
" " NOAH H. SCHENCK,* Deacon.
" " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, and President of Kenyon College, Gambier.
" " CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana, and Missionary.
" " GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.
" " E. A. STRONG, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.
" " JAMES TRIMBLE,* Deacon.

The Rev. DUDLEY A. TYNG, Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
" " SPENCER WALL,* residing at West Lodi, Seneca county.
" " HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.
" " A. WHEELER,* residing at Grafton.
" " LLOYD WINDSOR, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
" " M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.
" " EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

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RULES OF ORDER.

I.

The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II.

When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair.

III.

After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V.

At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI.

The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X.

Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI.

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII.

No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII.

When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV.

When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI.

Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII.

The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL.

St. Peter's Church, Delaware,
September 14*th*, *A.D.* 1853.

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio assembled as above, in St. Peter's Cnurch, Delaware, agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and the vote of the last Convention, at the hour of eleven o'clock, a. m.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Muenscher, of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. W. Norman Irish, of St. Paul's, Columbus. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry B. Wallbridge, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo, from Acts xv. 11: "*But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, we shall be saved even as they.*"

Divine Service being concluded, and the Bishop of the Diocese being absent, the Secretary called the Convention to order, in accordance with the VIth Article of the Constitution; and the Rev. C. W. Fitch was called to the Chair, *pro tempore.*

[Note by the Secretary.—The Convention here proceeded to the usual routine of business; but on the following morning, the proceedings from this point were decided to be unconstitutional, not being in accordance with that part of Article II, which requires the Convention, in the absence of the Bishop, to adjourn over to the next day; and the record was accordingly ordered to be stricken out.]

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15TH, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention assembled and united in devotional exercises.

A list of the clergy entitled to seats in this Convention, prepared and forwarded by the Bishop, was called by the Secretary, when the following answered to their names, viz:

Rev. Messrs. Blackaller,	Davis,	Marks,
Blake,	Dooley,	Muenscher,
Boyd,	Doolittle,	Nash, R. K.
Britton,	Fairchild,	Nicholson,
Bronson,	Fitch,	Pattison,
Brooke,	Freeman,	Perry,
Bryan,	French,	Preston,
Burr,	Gray,	Risser,
Burton,	Heister,	Sanford,
Carter,	Holden,	Stout,
Clark, A.	Irish,	Sturges,
Clark, J. W.	Jukes,	Wallbridge, and
Claxton,	McElroy,	Winthrop.
Cumming,	McMurphy,	—41.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved; when, after discussion, said vote of approval was reconsidered, and the following order in relation thereto adopted:

Resolved, That all that portion of yesterday's proceedings subsequent to the election of a temporary Chairman was unconstitutional — being inconsistent with that part of Article II, which requires the Convention, in the absence of the Bishop, to adjourn to the next day; and that the record of said proceedings be stricken out.

The Convention then took a recess for divine service until 2 o'clock, p. m.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and after the usual devotional exercises, and the calling of the roll of the Clergy, proceeded to organize.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary, balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. William C. French, the former Secretary, was reëlected.

The certificates of lay delegates were called for, and after the calling of the roll of parishes in union with the Convention, the Chair appointed the following

Committee of Examination—Rev. Messrs. S. Marks and L. Burton, and Mr. D. K. Cady.

Who soon after reported the following persons entitled to seats as representatives of their respective parishes: from

St. Paul's, Akron—F. Wolcott, L. M. Latimer, P. Bennett.
St. Paul's, Bellevue—John Grimes.
Grace, Berkshire—James P. Crawford, Wm. G. Shelton, J. W. Foote.
St. Stephen's, Canfield—Curtis Beardsley, James Wallace, Stanley C. Lockwood.
St. Paul's, Chillicothe—E. P. Kendrick, Albert Douglas, R. H. Lansing.
Christ, Cincinnati—David K. Este, James Hall, John P. Foote.
St. John's, Cincinnati—Wm. Wood, Egbert A. Thompson, Gideon Burton.
St. Paul's, Cincinnati—Wm. Key Bond, S. Wyllys Pomeroy, D. K. Cady.
St. Philip's, Circleville—P. B. Doddridge, T. C. Jones, H. K. Lawrence.
Grace, Cleveland—D. E. Field, E. W. Palmer, C. J. Woolson.
St. Paul's, Cleveland—E. T. Sterling, Henry White, Aaron Clark.
St. Luke's, Columbia—D. A. Clark.
St. Paul's, Columbus—Thomas Sparrow, S. D. Harris, Joseph F. Smith.
Trinity, Columbus—J. W. Andrews, S. B. Fay, Richard L. Chittenden.
Christ, Dayton—Warren Munger, John Powell, Richard Lane.
St. Peter's, Delaware—B. Powers, C. Howard, T. W. Cox.
Zion, Dresden—George W. Adams, James Robinson, A. C. Martin.
St. Andrew's, Elyria—Chauncey Prindle, Raymond Starr.
Harcourt, Gambier—Wm. J. Scott, J. S. Sawer.
St. Stephen's, Grafton—Carlos Fisher, M. S. Sibley.
Christ, Huron—A. J. McDonald.
St. James', Kingston—Robert Maxwell, Elias Benton.
St. Mathew's, Madison—Thomas Armstrong, Robert Armstrong.
Grace, Mansfield—T. W. Bartley, E. W. Deitrich, Z. S. Stocking.
St. Paul's, Marion—Eber Baker, Sanford S. Bennet.
St. Timothy's, Massillon—Kent Jarvis, Thos. McCullough, Lewis Hurxthal, Jr.
St. Paul's, Maumee City—Francis Nichols.
St. Paul's, Medina—Herman Canfield, F. D. Kimball, Isaac Bronson.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—E. Alling, A. Baldwin Norton.
St Paul's, Norwalk—Giles Boalt.
St. John's, Ohio City—David Griffith, C. E. Hill, George L. Chapman.

St. James', Painesville—Alexander Thompson.
St. Mathew's, Perry—Mathew Trimble.
St. James', Piqua—M. G. Mitchell, J. H. D. Johnston, Geo. D. Johnston.
Grace, Pomeroy—Lewis R. Winkleblack, Chas. Minturn, Rice H. Bartlett.
All Saints', Portsmouth—Samuel R. Ross, Wm. Hall, Wm. Oldfield.
Grace, Sandusky City—Wm. A. Simpson, E. S. Lane, James W. Cooke.
Christ, Springfield—Thomas Winwood, James A. Bean, Benj. Moore.
St. Paul's, Steubenville—Abner L. Frazer, Joseph Mitchell, Martin Andrews.
Trinity, Toledo—Lucius N. Voight.
Epiphany, Urbana—S. H. Robinson, Wm. F. Slater, James Moore.
St. James', Wooster—E. Foreman, J. Johnson.
St. John's, Worthington—G. H. Griswold, Ezra Gilbert, Charles E. Burr.
St. James', Zanesville—James Caldwell, Moses M. Granger, Wm. Townsend.

Whereupon, the Secretary called the roll, and the following answered to their names, and took their seats as members of this Convention: Messrs.

J. Grimes,	S. B. Fay,	A. B. Norton,
J. P. Crawford,	R. L. Chittenden,	A. Thompson,
W. G. Shelton,	C. Howard,	M. Trimble,
J. W. Foote,	T. W. Cox,	S. R. Ross,
J. Wallace,	G. W. Adams,	W. Hall,
S. C. Lockwood,	J. Robinson,	W. A. Simpson,
A. Douglas,	W. J. Scott,	T. Winwood,
J. Hall,	J. S. Sawer,	J. A. Bean,
W. Wood,	C. Fisher,	B. Moore,
E. A. Thompson,	A. J. McDonald,	W. F. Slater,
W. K. Bond,	T. Armstrong,	E. Gilbert,
D. K. Cady,	E. Baker,	C. E. Burr,
D. E. Field,	T. McCullough,	J. Caldwell,
E. T. Sterling,	I. Bronson,	M. M. Granger,
A. Clark,	E. Alling,	W. Townsend.
D. A. Clark,		—46.

The Committee on Credentials also reported that they had examined, and found correct, the papers with reference to the organization of the Parish of Christ Church, Mt. Vernon; when, on motion, said parish was unanimously received into union with the Convention.

The same Committee also reported the names of the following delegates from said parish:

Christ, Mt. Vernon—Truman Purdy, Matthew H. Mitchell, George B. White.

Whose names being called by the Secretary, Mr. Mitchell answered and took his seat.

The Bishop having signified by letter to the Secretary that he could not be present, the Convention proceeded to the election of a permanent President from among the Presbyters. On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, when the Rev. CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua, was nominated; and the nomination being put by the Secretary, it was carried unanimously, and Mr. Fitch took his seat as President of the Convention.

The President then appointed the following standing Committees:

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. Mr. Freeman, and Mr. S. C. Lockwood.
Committee on Finance—Rev. G. S. Davis, and Messrs. C. Howard and W. Munger.
Committee on Missions—Rev. W. R. Nicholson, Rev. A. Blake, and Mr. E. Alling.
Committee on Canons—Rev. E. Winthrop, Rev. W. Preston, Messrs. J. Hall and M. H. Mitchell.

Rev. Mr. Freeman presented the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business; which was received, and the several subjects embraced therein were referred to the appropriate committees.

The next business in order being the hearing of the Bishop's Annual Address, which he had transmitted to the Secretary, with a request that he would read the same in Convention, and the same having been read by that officer to members yesterday, it was ordered that further reading be dispensed with, and that the Address be inserted in the printed minutes at this place:

Bishop's Annual Address.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

IT was with emotions of thankfulness and joy that I returned, after four months' absence in Europe, to the duties of my diocese. It was with great pain that, after being at home only about two weeks, I was

obliged, under considerations of most imperative obligation, to come to where I am now writing, that I might attend in my place, in obedience to a summons of our Presiding Bishop, on a Court now meeting at Camden in New Jersey, for the trial of the Bishop of that Diocese. It is with great regret that I am necessarily prevented by the most painful and responsible duties devolving on the Presenting Bishops before that Court, to be absent from your Annual Convention, where I have always so much pleasure of heart in meeting and conferring with and praying with my brethren, both lay and clerical. I am comforted, however, in this necessary absence, by the consideration that our Conventions are usually conducted with so much regard to rules of order, and in so kind a feeling of fraternal affection, that I may feel confident that you will little miss the absence of your usual President. Absent from you by solemn call of duty, I shall be with you in love, and thought, and prayer; and I now pray the Lord's precious blessings of grace and mercy upon the Convention and each of its members.

While abroad, I sent an appointment, through the Rev. Dr. WING, of the Conventional Preacher, and also the Preacher of the Missionary Sermon. I trust the brethren designated received their notifications, and will fulfill the duty assigned.

On my return from abroad I first learned that one of our clergy had gone to his heavenly home during my absence — that truly venerable, faithful, unwearied, patient, humble minister of Christ, the Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON — a name associated with the earliest history of our Church in the United States; a name revered in the East and the West, and long to be remembered in its association with a long life of steady, unpretending, unambitious, earnest, self-denying, simple-hearted and truly evangelical labors for Christ. I revere the name of that aged brother, now at rest. Few men have known the truth more distinctly; few have loved it more affectionately; few have preached it more simply, patiently, purely; none have held it more firmly and steadily unto

death. Farewell, venerable father! May the mantle of thy single-hearted faithfulness rest upon all who still remain to do the work of the Lord in these days of lukewarmness, of worldliness, of wandering from the truth, and of declension from God!

But this is not the only mark that Death has hit since you last met in Convention, and which ought to be noticed here. Two have gone away from things that are seen and are temporal, to those which are unseen and eternal, who once were with us, though recently of other dioceses. The pestilence has cut down our brother DOBB, in the midst of useful labors and of an affectionate people; and our brother KILLIN, whose affectionate heart and earnest faithfulness we so well remember, has fallen in his work. I took him by the hand, a boy in London, and brought him to Gambier for education. He lived long enough, and worked hard and faithfully enough, to show that the choice was not misplaced; but it pains me when I remember that KILLIN is dead!—no! not dead—he sleepeth, and will awake. His spirit is with his Lord.

But I cannot pause yet in speaking of the dead. At our last Convention, it was my painful duty to speak of the death of two of our Bishops—men beloved and venerated—Bishops GADSDEN and HENSHAW. Since then there has gone to his rest, a venerable Father, whom for his eminent services to this Diocese in particular, as well as for the position he held for so many years as a most faithful and laborious minister of Christ and Bishop in his Church, it is our special duty and happiness to remember and honor. The name of BISHOP CHASE can never be forgotten in Ohio, nor cease to be regarded with affection and respect, so long as there remains among us a just appreciation of those many and vigorous attributes of personal character which so signally marked his whole official life. His monument among us is KENYON COLLEGE—with all the history around it, of the enterprize, and sacrifices, and toils, and trials, and difficulties, with which its founder

commenced and carried forward that Institution. It will not be long before the last of those who were personal witnesses of what he did and overcame in that enterprize will have passed away—nor before the aspect of Ohio will have become so changed by progressive and rapid improvement, that it will be very difficult for a new generation to form a just conception of what Bp. CHASE undertook when he set himself to the establishment of KENYON COLLEGE in the locality selected, and what he accomplished so long as he remained in Ohio, to carry forward that enterprize. Difference of opinion as to the wisdom of some details of his plans, is no detraction from his merited praise for great purity of motive, a single desire in all things to build up the Church of Christ, a large heart to devise and a most unconquerable energy to execute schemes for the glory of God and the salvation of men.

He has left more monuments than one. We speak particularly of Ohio. His memory lives in the hearts of many in this Diocese, who personally knew him when he was their Bishop or who shared the benefits of his ministrations. Their number is fast decreasing, but they will always love to remember and tell of the simple manners, the tender, affectionate spirit, so peculiarly his attribute, the unwearied diligence with which, amidst the hardships and toils of his visitations, he went in and out among them, and from house to house.

It is painful to look back to the period when Bishop CHASE considered it his duty to resign the charge of this Diocese, and consequently his connection with the institution which he had so fondly and laboriously reared. Of the state of things which led to that step, and the controversies connected with it, I have nothing to say. They have no place here. The sooner they are all forgotten the better, so far as relates to any unkind feelings or words which they may have once engendered. Of course I have known them but as matters of tradition. Whatever the views entertained in the Diocese in regard to the points of difference, the resignation of Bishop CHASE was everywhere a matter

of great pain and sorrow among nearly all of those from whom he thus withdrew, and who continued ever after to regard him with great affection and respect, as an eminently devoted servant of Christ. There was one man who certainly did not rejoice in his resignation, and who, in exchanging the charge of a beloved flock to be his successor, and in the contrast between the whole work, and position, and relation of a Bishop, and those of a parish Presbyter, surrounded with the near sympathies of an attached congregation, especially considering the peculiar burdens, and cares, and anxieties connected with the charge which Bishop CHASE resigned, has often been strongly tempted to wish the venerable man had remained to carry on what he had begun. To the last of his long life, his uncommon strength of character — all consecrated to good works — remained undiminished. Holding with a strong grasp the great distinguishing doctrines of our Protestant faith, the tendencies to Romish corruptions which of late years have so marvellously taken root and grown up here and there in some members and ministers of our Church, only made him hold the more distinctly, and positively, and openly, what they were led to renounce. He died on the field—at his work—his harness on—not unwilling to remain and labor more, but glad that his Master was pleased to call him home to himself and to his rest. Would that his mantle might remain with us, so that our ministry everywhere might be clothed in his unwearied, ever-laboring zeal for the increase of the Gospel!

But what a contrast, brethren, between his death and another that we have been called to record! Apostacy from the faith of the Gospel! apostacy to the faith of Papal Antichrist! that is death, indeed; and unto such death has fallen one who, when we last met, was numbered among our Bishops, and but a short time before had publicly declared that he had renounced the very doctrines which now have produced their legitimate fruit, in his renouncing the faith and becoming an adversary of the Gospel. LEVI SILLIMAN IVES, lately Bishop of

the Diocese of North Carolina, has embraced the apostacy of Rome, and is now fast bound in the chains of that odious bondage of reason, and conscience, and all that is dear to man; yes, and is seen at Rome, in the ceremonies of St. Peter, a devotee at the feet of the Pope, at the shrines of idols, in the worship of wafers and dead men's bones, glorying in his shame. Who can think of it but with mingled pity for his miserable delusion, and with indignation that our Church should be thus dishonored in one who sat for so many years in the seat of her Elders. What if he had been told, some ten years since, that views he was then indulging, and the Romish tendency of which many of his brethren clearly saw, would finally ripen into his present apostacy? "Is thy servant a dog, that he should do this thing?" would doubtless have been his indignant exclamation. He was one of those who, when the Church was warned of the dangers connected with a system of doctrine then fast rising into influence, and attracting much favor in certain directions, were strongest in the assurance that the danger was imaginary, and the precautions urged were needless. He is only, *at present*, the last of those who, having been thus confident, have been seduced by the very dangers they derided, and have fallen over the very precipice which they would not believe to be near. Alas! how many warnings we have lately had of the unabated power of the Romish superstition to beguile unstable souls, and to lead captive the unwatchful and unwary.

As to this sad case, I desire to say a few words more. I have seen with regret the effort to account for the phenomenon in Dr. IVES by the supposition of mental insanity, as if the principles he is known to have been so long cherishing and maturing, were not sufficient explanation of his whole course. Let us beware how we lose the lesson of which his fall is replete, by any such refuge. That he is insane I do not dispute—I know nothing about it. But that many sane men have been seduced just as he has been; and that the principles he long ago avowed,

especially as to the pardon of sins, and the office of a priest in the absolution of the sinner, and the dependence of salvation upon the priest's sacramental offices, were the seed which might be expected to ripen into what has now ensued; that his apostacy to Rome is just the consistent completion of a descending race thus and then begun, I have no manner of doubt. There is a way of courting the delusions of Rome, and of cherishing the incipient stages of her seductions, and thus of so grieving the Holy Spirit of God, that God, according to his word, will give the man up "to strong delusion to believe a lie," no matter how bold or how awful it be, till Popery is embraced in all its manifold hideousness.

But it is felt by some that the supposition of insanity is necessary to account for certain *moral* peculiarities, which I need not more particularly advert to. But what has this unhappy brother exhibited which has not appeared, under another form, among almost all those who have of late years abandoned the Protestant ministry for the faith of Rome? Have they not gone on keeping up the profession, eating the bread, occupying the pulpit of a Protestant ministry, long after they had secretly, but entirely, renounced in heart and mind the Protestant Gospel? and have they not continued thus disguised, and thus knowingly deceiving, till it was *convenient* to appear in their true colors; so that the marvel appeared, of men who *yesterday* were Protestant ministers, in all appearance and profession, reading our liturgy, administering our sacraments, professing our articles of faith, coming forth *to-morrow* full grown Romanists: every Romish doctrine espoused, every Romish superstition vindicated and adopted, every Protestant doctrine rejected as false, every Protestant person condemned as a heretic, and out of the pale of salvation? Ah! brethren, that awful system has power yet, as of old, to drug the conscience, as well as the reason; to make men deceive for conscience' sake, as well as believe for the Church's sake. The whole is accounted for on one principle, which lies at the basis of

all consistency as a Romanist, namely, the merging of the individual responsibility in that of the Church, the surrender of the individual conscience to the Church's will and welfare, so that the Church is as God, and he who claims to be her infallible head on earth, and his priesthood, everywhere have supremacy over every dictate of the moral sense and every dictate of the Scriptures.

The peculiar nature of my engagements during the portion of the year usually given to the visitation of the Diocese, has, I am sorry to say, made my visitations, and consequently my confirmations, much fewer than usual. You will see how this has come to pass, when I relate how the year has been occupied. Soon after the last Convention, I was obliged to go to the East, to be present at the expected trial of the Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey. Much time was occupied in the discussions before the Court, of the question whether the trial should proceed. That question was decided in the negative. But in the meanwhile so much time had been consumed, that when I had got back to my family, and had seen to such necessary cares as so much absence from home had accumulated, the fall season for visitation had elapsed. During the winter I made as many visitations to parishes as the season allowed, fully expecting to make up all that was behind, as soon as the opening Spring should appear. But then came an application for my time, which, under the advice of friends, I considered of such importance that I ought not to decline it. That great and glorious institution — the British and Foreign Bible Society — was about celebrating its Jubilee, and had applied to the American Bible Society for a delegation. The latter requested and appointed me as one of that delegation. It seemed so important an opportunity of testifying the interest felt in our Church in the great work of Scripture circulation, especially in these days, when the wrath of Rome is warring with such revived determination against the reading of the Scriptures, and when so many influences are elsewhere at work, from the side of the Rationalist as

well as of the Romanizing Protestant, to dethrone the Bible from its rightful position, as the Only Rule of Faith and Life, that I could not decline the appointment. I might have returned in two months instead of four; but the health of one of my family demanded a longer absence, and I felt justified in making that consideration paramount.

On the second of April we sailed from New York; and we arrived in London about ten days before the Anniversary meeting of the Bible Society. Besides my appointment as a delegate to that body, I was made by the Foreign Committee of our General Missionary Society, its representative to confer with the Archbishop of Canterbury and the other Bishops of the Church of England, with a view to the settlement of certain questions of relative jurisdiction which had arisen between our Foreign Bishop in China and the Bishop of Victoria, one of the Colonial Bishops of the Church of England—questions of no mere local importance, but which must arise wherever the duties of our foreign Bishops, and those of the Bishops of the Church of England abroad, shall meet together. I was also appointed by the Foreign Committee its representative at the committee-meetings and at the Anniversary of the Church Missionary Society, one of the great institutions of our mother Church. Under these appointments, it was my happiness and privilege, not only to be received with great Christian kindness by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and many others of the English Episcopate, but to take part in the great meetings of many noble benevolent institutions. I addressed the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Church Missionary Society, at its anniversary, and the meetings of two of its auxiliaries; and preached in its behalf in one of the London Churches. I also addressed the Irish Church Missions Society, and the Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews. In testimony of the fellowship between the Church of England and ours, and for the furtherance of Christian love from one to the other, I was invited by the Archbishop of Canterbury, to take part in the

consecration of the Rev. Dr. JACKSON to the Bishopric of Lincoln, which I had great pleasure in doing. On the same day, I had the privilege of meeting at Lambeth no less than twenty-eight Bishops of the Church of England and Ireland, some of them colonial Bishops, who, by the mouth of the Archbishop of Canterbury, took that opportunity to express their affection for, and fellowship with, the American Episcopal Church. One of my last acts in England, and one of those in which I had the greatest pleasure, as an American Bishop, was that of participating, at the request of the Bishop of Winchester, in the ordination of twenty-eight candidates for Orders, by uniting with him in the laying on of hands, as well as in preaching the ordination sermon.

I cannot conclude this brief notice of my visit to England, without a most grateful and affectionate testimony to the unvaried Christian kindness which I received from clergy and laity, in all places, and the earnest desire manifested that between our country and Great Britain, and especially between our Church and that of England, the bonds of love and fellowship may be drawn closer and closer, more especially in view of the great struggle for gospel truth and liberty, which is evidently drawing nigh, if we be not already in the midst of it—a struggle in which the Protestantism of England and America must take so great a share. To such feelings and desires, I certainly did not fail to take every opportunity of responding, with the most cordial acquiescence.

I proceed now to the mention of my official acts since the last Convention, expecting, when released from my present absence, to visit the parishes again as soon as possible.

Since the last Convention, in consequence of the circumstances before mentioned, my visitations of parishes have been confined to the following: St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; Bethel, Boston; Christ, Hudson; Christ, Franklin Mills; St. Paul's, Akron; St. Timothy's, Massillon; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Luke's, Milan; Christ, Springfield; Christ, Dayton; All Saints', Portsmouth; Grace, Pomeroy; St. John's, Cincinnati; Christ, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cincinnati.

The confirmations have been — at St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, 1; Christ, Hudson, 2; Christ, Franklin Mills, 5; St. Timothy's, Massillon, 1; St. Paul's, Norwalk, 3; St. Luke's, Milan, 3; Christ, Springfield, 7; Christ, Dayton, 10; All Saints', Portsmouth, 12; Grace, Pomeroy, 18; St. John's, Cincinnati, 20; Christ, Cincinnati, 28; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 12.

Since the last Convention, I have ordained to the office of Presbyter the Rev. James E. Battin, and to the order of Deacons, Thomas Corlett, James Trimble, Joseph E. Ryan, Francis Granger, Noah Hunt Schenck and Edward C. Benson — the last, at the request of Bishop Polk, under whom he was a candidate.

The candidates for orders, at present connected with this Diocese, are — George E. Thrall, Benjamin K. Maltby, Daniel Woods, John Trimble, Sen., Charles W. Fearns, John Hochuly, Henry Morrel, H. D. Lathrop, Peter Neff, Jr.—9.

There have left the Diocese, by letters dimissory, the Rev. James C. Tracy, removed to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. John Foster, to Kentucky; the Rev. William A. Smallwood, D.D., to Illinois; the Rev. Albert Bingham, to Wisconsin; the Rev. George Thompson, to Wisconsin, and the Rev. H. N. Bishop, to Wisconsin.

There have been added to the Diocese, by letters dimissory, the Rev. Lawson Carter, who has become the Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland; the Rev. H. J. Heister, who has become the Rector of St. Paul's, Fremont; the Rev. William N. Irish, who has become Rector of St. Paul's, Columbus; the Rev. F. B. Nash, who has become the Rector of Trinity, Newark; the Rev. R. Bethell Claxton, D.D., who has become the Rector of St. Paul's, Cleveland; the Rev. D. C. Maybin, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Akron, and the Rev. C. F. Lewis, from Michigan.

The following changes have taken place within the Diocese: The Rev. Eli Adams has resigned the charge of St. Philip's, Strongsville, and

St. Luke's, Columbia; the Rev. C. S. Doolittle has taken charge of St. James', Boardman and St. Stephen's, Canfield; the Rev. G. W. Du Bois has resigned Christ Church, Warren, and has taken charge of St. James', Zanesville; the Rev. Richard Gray, has resigned Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and become Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and City Missionary; the Rev. Mark Richard Jukes has taken charge of St. Paul's, Maumee; the Rev. Rodney S. Nash, after being the greater part of the year past in charge of St. Luke's, Milan, has taken charge of St. Philip's, Circleville; the Rev. J. E. Pattison has taken charge of St. James', Wooster; the Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D. has resigned St. Paul's, Cleveland, and become Associate Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland; the Rev. Daniel Risser has taken charge of St. John's, Lancaster.

I am happy to say, that while no more Churches have been consecrated, some recently built and in use, but waiting to be able to present a satisfactory showing of their financial state, may be expected soon to be consecrated, while several of our Churches, for the accommodation of increased congregations, have been recently much enlarged.

I report one new parish as having been organized, and duly reported to me,—Christ Church, Mount Vernon.

I would, Dear Brethren, that you and I could have the happiness of reporting, and of praising God for, a great increase of the spirit of earnest, working, spiritually-minded piety in our Churches, and of the number of souls hopefully converted to God. Ah! what is all else in comparison with such increase? What is our ministry but for such fruit? Pray for it; labor for it; wrestle for it; seek it as more precious than all worlds; never weary in seeking it. May the Lord endue us all with a strong spirit of prayer, and love, and work, and faith.

Your affectionate brother in the Lord,

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 10th, 1853.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That $70 be appropriated from the Contingent Fund to meet the assessment of the Diocese for the expenses of the next General Convention, and that $25 be appropriated to each of the Clerical Deputies who may be elected to and represent the Diocese in that Convention.

The Committee of Finance of the last Convention presented the following report, which was accepted, and the Committee discharged, the report being referred to the present Committee on Finance:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to make application to the delinquent parishes, and urge the payment of their respective deficiencies to the Episcopate and Contingent Fund, respectfully report that they have discharged the duty assigned. A circular was prepared and sent to all the delinquent parishes, setting forth the pecuniary necessities of the Diocese, and urging immediate payment of the sums severally due. In response to this appeal the Treasurer has received only about $130. Several communications have been received by the Committee, which they ask permission to refer to the new Committee on Finance. In behalf of the Committee,

ERASTUS BURR, *Chairman.*

Rev. J. McElroy offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's Address in which he adverts to his recent absence from the United States, and his present absence from the Diocese and from this Convention, be referred to a committee of three to report to this Convention.

Whereupon, the President appointed as said committee: Rev. J. McElroy, Rev. Dr. Bronson and Mr. James Hall.

Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's Address in which he speaks so justly and feelingly of the death and character of the late Right Reverend Philander Chase, D.D., Presiding Bishop in the House of Bishops, and first Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, be referred to a select committee of three, to report to this Convention.

The Chair appointed Rev. Messrs. Britton and Burr, and Mr. D. K. Cady.

On motion of Mr. E. A. Thompson,

Resolved, That to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock this Convention proceed to the election of delegates to the General Convention.

Rev. T. B. Fairchild, on behalf of the Trustees to whom was committed the investment of certain moneys donated by Hermon Bronson, Esq., made the following report, which was adopted:

The Trustees appointed by the last Convention, to have the care of the fund given by Mr. Hermon Bronson, for the benefit of Bethel church, Boston, beg leave to report as follows:

We have received in charge one note for four hundred dollars, which when due will be applied to the payment of his original bond; also, seven hundred dollars, which has been loaned in obedience to the instructions of the Convention, in sums of three and four hundred dollars, upon mortgage on unincumbered real estate, at 8 per cent. per annum. These mortgages have been duly recorded and all necessary caution used to preserve the trust inviolate.

Respectfully submitted,

T. B. FAIRCHILD, } *Trustees.*
A. A. BREWSTER, }

HUDSON, Sept. 2, 1853.

Rev. Mr. French proposed the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to deposit such bound volumes of Diocesan Journals and other documents as are or may hereafter be accumulated in his hands, in the Library of the Theological Seminary of this Diocese, to be and remain the property of that institution.

The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary being unable to obtain a quorum for the transaction of business, and one of said Board having removed from this Diocese to that of Illinois, after discussion by gentlemen of the legal profession and others, it was

Resolved, That believing it to have been the intention of the Rev. Dr. Smallwood to have resigned his trusteeship when he removed from this Diocese, and it being exceedingly important that his place should be supplied in order to obtain a quorum, the office of said Smallwood, as Trustee of said Seminary, is hereby declared vacant.*

Resolved, To go into the election of a clerical Trustee in his place.

Several persons were nominated. Rev. C. B. Stout and Mr. G. W. Adams were appointed Tellers; when, on counting the votes, it was ascertained that there was no election.

* These proceedings had scarcely been consummated, when a letter was received from Dr. Smallwood by the temporary Chairman of the Board, dated "Chicago, Sept. 13th, 1853," communicating his resignation of the above office.—SEC.

Further balloting was dispensed with, and the Rev. Dr. Claxton having received the highest number of votes, was declared unanimously elected to fill the said vacant Trusteeship.

Resolutions and amendments respecting the place of holding the next Convention were offered — naming St. James' Church, Piqua; Grace Church, Sandusky City; and St. John's Church, Cincinnati — which were laid on the table for consideration to-morrow.

Rev. Dr. Bronson proposed the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Saturday, the 17th instant, at 11 o'clock, a. m., be fixed as the time for the adjournment of this Convention.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee of this Diocese. Balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the present committee being nominated, were unanimously reëlected.

Rev. Mr. Winthrop, Chairman of the Committee to attend examinations at Gambier, made an oral report, which he was requested to commit to writing and present hereafter.

Convention proceeded to elect a committee to attend examinations the present year, and the balloting being dispensed with, the following gentlemen were severally elected — the committee being increased by the addition of two from each order:

Rev. E. Winthrop,	Messrs. J. Hall,
" H. Blackaller,	K. Jarvis,
" G. W. DuBois,	T. C. Jones,
" W. R. Nicholson,	E. Lane,
" T. B. Fairchild,	Lorin Andrews,
" E. H. Cumming,	B. Storer,
	Sherman Finch.

The Secretary, by request of the Bishop, read the following report of the state of the Betts' Library Fund:

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

Of the "Charles D. Betts Library Fund" of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

Balance in hand at last Convention		$125.14
Rec'd of interest due March 1 and Sept. 1, 1853		100.00
		$225.14
Paid for six volumes of the Ecclesiastical History Society Library	$10.00	
Coleman's Antiquities, 1 vol.	2.00	
6 copies of Porter's Homiletics to be kept as text books for the use of Theological students	15.00	
Trench on the Parables	1.75	
do. on the Miracles	1.75	
Turner on Hebrews	1.25	
Carriage of books	1.00	
Postage	0.09	
		32.84
Balance on hand		$192.30

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
President of the Theological Seminary.

SEPTEMBER 10, 1852.

Proceeded to the election of a Missionary and Education Committee. The ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the following persons elected on nomination:

Rev. A. Blake,	Dr. J. W. Russel,
" J. Muenscher, D.D.,	Ebenezer Alling,
" N. Badger,	Mardenbro White,
" H. Blackaller,	A. Baldwin Norton.

The Committee appointed at last Convention to devise means to raise funds to endow the Episcopate, reported by Dr. Wood that they had as yet been unable to fix upon a plan, and asked to be continued — which was granted — Judge Hall being substituted in the place of Col. Pendleton, now absent in Europe.

Dr. Wm. Wood was unanimously reëlected Treasurer —the ballot being dispensed with.

The Clerical and Parochial Reports were directed to be deposited with the Secretary, subject to the order of the Bishop.

The subject of a change in the time of meeting of the Annual Conventions was indefinitely postponed.

Convention adjourned till 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th, 1853.

The Convention assembled at nine o'clock, and united in singing and prayer.

The rolls were called and the minutes read and approved.

The Treasurer presented and read his annual report of the finances of the Diocese. [See Appendix.]

Rev. E. Winthrop read the following report on Examinations at Gambier:

The Chairman of the Committee on Examinations reports that he was prevented, by absence at the East on account of his health, from arriving at Gambier until the examinations of the three upper classes had been mostly if not entirely finished. He was there in time, however, to be present at the examinations of the Freshmen, the Grammar School, the Theological Seminary, and the candidates for admission to the College. The examinations of the young gentlemen in the classics, the mathematics, and the Holy Scriptures, were very creditable both to pupils and instructors. The examinations of the Theological students were particularly good, and those of the candidates for admission to the College quite satisfactory. The Trustees, as the Chairman of this committee was informed, contemplate certain important measures in regard to discipline, which, it is to be hoped, will be fully carried out, as they will add much to the efficiency and prosperity of the College.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Chairman.*

Mr. J. W. Andrews, from the committee of conference with the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, made the following report, which was accepted:

The undersigned, as chairman of the committee to whom was referred by the last Convention so much of the Bishop's Address as referred to the sale of the real estate and the financial condition of the Theological School and Kenyon College, &c., with instructions, begs leave respectfully to report—

That early in the summer the committee agreed upon the 4th of July as the day on which they would meet at Gambier. Ill health, however, on the part of one member of the committee, and unexpected engagements on the part of another, made it necessary to change the time of meeting, and the 25th of July, on consultation between the undersigned and Rev. Mr. Windsor, was agreed upon, and Mr. Jones, the other member of the committee, was forthwith advised of the change. On the 25th of July, the undersigned left for Gambier, arrived there on the morning of the 26th, and meeting neither of the other members of the committee, left for home on the evening of the 27th. He has since learned that Mr. Windsor was prevented from fulfilling his engagement by the alarming illness of his wife, and that for the same reason he is now necessarily absent from this Convention. Had the meeting taken place on the 25th of July, Mr. Jones, who could not be present on the 25th, would have joined the other member of the committee, as he informed the undersigned, on the 28th. The undersigned subsequently made efforts to procure a meeting of the committee at Gambier, but without success.

It is proper to add that the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, early in the season, forwarded to the undersigned a resolution, inviting the most thorough examination into the affairs of the institution under their charge, and offering every facility and means which they could offer to aid the committee in making such investigation.

It was the earnest wish of every member of the committee to unite in carrying out thoroughly the objects contemplated in the resolution of the former Convention, and they all regret to be compelled to report that they have not done so.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN W. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

Rev. Dr. Bronson, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, read the following report:

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO:—

In compliance with a resolution of the last Diocesan Convention addressed to the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, they beg leave to make the following Report.

The resolution of the Convention requests information on several points:

1. The amount of real estate sold by the Trustees.
2. Total proceeds of sales.
3. Amount of debts paid out of such proceeds.
4. Amount of debts remaining unpaid.
5. Total contributions made to the "Institution."
6. Total cost of buildings and other substantial improvements.

1st. *The amount of the real estate sold by the Trustees.*

The trustees infer from this and the next three questions, that the sales inquired for, are sales made since 1850, when by a vote of convention the trustees were counselled to sell the real estate belonging to the seminary; and they report accordingly:—

The number of acres sold including town lots is two thousand and twenty-nine, (2029) leaving unsold including lots and grounds attached to the buildings—two thousand and sixty-five (2065) acres. Of this amount 1885½ acres were sold as farming lands, and 143½ acres as in and out lots.

The sale of the "North section" so called, was made prior to the date above named—viz: from 1832 to 1837, the proceeds of which were in part applied to the payment of debts contracted before any sales were ordered, and in part to the buildings and other improvements hereinafter mentioned.

2d. *The total proceeds of sales.*

The total amount of proceeds of the sales, is sixty-one thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars and eighty-eight cents, ($61.635.88.)

Of this sum there was realized for the sale of the 1885½ acres farming lands,	$42,576.58	
And for the sale of the in and out-lots, the remainder,	19,059.30	
		$61,635.88

3d. *The amount of debts paid out of such proceeds.*

The amount of debts paid out of such proceeds is fifteen thousand three hundred and ninety dollars and sixteen cents, $15,390.16

To this sum should be added the expenses attending the sale of the lands, amounting to	742.07	
Also, the expenses of re-roofing and finishing Rosse Chapel and necessary repairs of other buildings, amounting to three thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars and ninety-two cents	3,666.92	
Making a sum total of		$19,794.14

4th. *Amount of debts remaining unpaid.*

The total amount of liabilities is seven thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and eighty-two cents, of which amount the sum of five thousand seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and thirty-two cents is due to the Lorillard fund: the interest of which amount is mainly applied to the payment of the Milnor professorship.

5th. *Total contributions to the Institution.*

For reasons not necessary to dwell upon, they are unable to give an exact account of the donations made to the Institution prior to the resignation of the late Bishop Chase.

No complete account of such donations is to be found, and we presume none has ever been furnished; we have therefore concluded to confine our report to donations received since 1831.

In 1833, Bishop McIlvaine, at the request of the Board of Trustees, visited the Eastern cities to solicit subscriptions for additional buildings and apparatus. He succeeded in obtaining subscriptions, payable one-half in July of that year and one-half in July of the following year, to the amount of $28,473.79, a part of which was paid to him and by him to the Treasurer of the Institution, and a part to other agents and by them to the Treasurer. A part, viz: $1,964.00, has never been paid. The expenses of collections, and the expenses of publishing the pamphlet entitled "Respectful Address," should be deducted; these may be estimated at $164.30 — leaving the net donations for buildings at $26,345.49.

There was also given by P. G. Stuyvesant, Esq., for the Library, $1000.00, and apparatus by Dr. Michell, valued at $100.00.

There was also subscribed for a Theological Professorship, a sum of which only $1170.00 has been collected.

In 1835, Bishop McIlvaine visited England to procure aid for "New Buildings at Kenyon College," and obtained subscriptions which, except as after-named, were afterwards collected and forwarded to the Treasurer to the amount of £2,918.13.4—of this sum £115.2.2, was deducted for various expenses connected with the collections of the subscriptions, transportation of books, &c. £53.7.2 remain uncollected.

The whole amount received by the Treasurer was $12,108.54. There were also presented to the library 1893 volumes of Books—viz: folios 120 volumes, quartos 114 volumes, octavos 950 volumes, other sizes, 703 volumes.

In 1837 there was collected by subscription and otherwise, by Dr. Sparrow, in Ohio, $4,046.50. In 1842 the Bishop obtained subscriptions in Cincinnati from which there was realized only the sum of $400.

In 1845 there was collected in like manner in Ohio, $5,857.00.

In 1844, Bishop McIlvaine again visited the eastern cities, and obtained subscriptions to the amount of $28,190.35. These donations were solicited chiefly to meet the loan made of Samuel Ward, Esq., in 1833, to pay debts before that time contracted and not otherwise provided for, and other old debts not paid by said loan. After deducting expenses and a present of $207.16, made by the Trustees, to Bishop McIlvaine, (who declined any pay for his services,) there remained of these donations, the sum of $26,403.65.

In 1841, Bishop McIlvaine gave $200 for repairs of student's rooms.

In 1849, Mrs. Isabella Davis, a domestic in Bishop McIlvaine's family, deceased, left to the Seminary, Bishop McIlvaine executor, $510 —the interest to be appropriated as directed by him, which interest has been applied to the Milnor Professorship of Divinity.

To these are to be added unexpended Funds:

The Milnor Professorship fund	$7,500.00
The Griswold do. do.	10,000.00
The Scholarship Subscription fund	11,386.37
The Hannah More Scholarship ditto	2,175.00
The Charles D. Betts Library fund	1,000.00
	$32,061.37

Recapitulation.

DONATIONS AND COLLECTIONS.

In 1833, for	Buildings	$26,345.49
"	Library	1,000.00
"	Theological Professorship	1,170.00
"	Apparatus	100.00
In 1835, for	Buildings, from England	12,108.54
"	Books, 1893 vols	
In 1837,	Collection in Ohio	4,046.50
In 1841, by	Bishop McIlvaine	200.00
In 1842, by	do. do.	400.00
In 1844,	Collections by Bishop McIlvaine in Eastern cities	26,403.65
In 1845,	Collections in Ohio	5,857.00
	Donation of Mrs. Isabella Davis	516.00
	Milnor Fund	7,500.00
	Griswold Prof.	10,000.00
	Scholarship Subscriptions	11,386.37
	Hannah More Scholarship	2,175.00
	Chas. D. Betts Library fund	1,000.00
Making a sum total of Donations and Collections		$110,208.55

6th. *Total cost of Buildings and other substantial improvements.*

An accurate account of the cost of all the buildings erected at Gambier, and of the various improvements there, is not to be found. It is not meant to cast any reflections upon the management of the affairs of the Institution while it was under the care of Bishop Chase. It is enough to say that no such documents or records have been found as would enable us to state an account of the receipts and disbursements during the early years of the Institution.

Were such a thing practicable, we do not know that any useful purpose would be subserved by the exhibit.

It is not improbable that it would appear that some, perhaps many of the expenditures were, singly considered, disproportioned to the beneficial results obtained. It might now be thought that exorbitant prices were paid for quarrying stone, erecting buildings and clearing land. It might be thought that the most rigid and calculating economy was not always practiced—that a more wise and prudent general system might have been adopted.

It may be said, the greatness of the undertaking affords no apology for wasting the money contributed. And certainly it does not. Nor does it exempt those to whom the funds were entrusted from a strict account of their trust. But those who would scrutinize with a close eye the early pecuniary history of the Seminary, should not forget that many and great allowances are to be made on account of the then wilderness condition of the country—the vastness of the undertaking—the necessary erection of many buildings and other fixtures designed for temporary use, and that have long since served their purpose and disappeared, and the want of experience in the multiform labors involved in the working out from the stump so great an enterprize.

The experience of similar institutions would not probably lessen the force of the old adage that "it is cheaper to buy than to build."

We do not therefore consider a want of exact information of the early receipts and disbursements as a matter of vital importance, it being no where intimated that the contributions were perverted or wantonly wasted.

The Trustees are able to state the costs of the principal buildings and other improvements made since 1831.

The total amount of these expenditures is $80,638.05.

Supposing a general statement of the resources and value of the property of the Seminary, though not called for particularly, to be within the spirit of the resolution of the Convention, we have caused such a statement to be made.

The following is a general statement of the pecuniary condition of the Institution:

Proceeds of land sales—other debts due the Institution —Scholarship and Professorship funds, and cash, after deducting all liabilities	$71,920.22
Estimated value of 1595 acres of farming land, at present comparatively unproductive	39,762.02
Estimated value of lots unproductive	18,500.00
Water power and land connected	3,000.00
Lands in Union county	1,000.00
Making a total of productive and unproductive property,	$134,182.24
Estimated value of Buildings and other real and personal property not productive	$119,973.94
Making a sum total of	$254,156.18

In the above statement the buildings are put down at their cost.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

The order of the day being the election of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the next General Convention, Rev. Mr. Davis moved the vote be taken by orders and parishes, giving to each parish represented but one lay vote.

The chair decided the motion out of order, from which decision an appeal being taken, the chair was sustained, and the Convention proceeded to ballot.

Rev. Mr. Wallbridge and Mr. A. Douglas were appointed tellers.

While the tellers were engaged in counting the ballots, the Convention proceeded with other business.

Rev. W. N. Irish offered the following resolution, which was laid on the table for the present:

Resolved, That a copy of the excellent and timely sermon preached at the opening of this Convention, by the Rev. H. B. Wallbridge, be requested for publication in the Western Episcopalian.

Rev. James McElroy, on behalf of the committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address in which he alludes to his absence, etc., reported as follows:

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address in which he adverts to his recent absence from the United States, and his present absence from the Diocese and from this Convention, respectfully submit the following report:

Of the Bishop's recent absence from the United States, your committee are happy to learn that it afforded our Bishop a distinguished opportunity of official intercourse with the Archbishop of Canterbury, and with other Bishops and other eminent members of our venerable Mother Church, the Church of England: we congratulate him and our church in the United States upon the eminently fraternal manner in which he, as a Bishop of our church, was everywhere received by the distinguished members and others of the Protestant Episcopal Church in England, upon the eminently faithful and satisfactory manner in which all the important trusts committed to him were executed, and we take pleasure in recording our gratitude to Almighty God for his preservation and restoration to our Diocese. In regard to his present absence, there can be but one feeling, that of painful regret and disappointment; but we doubt not he is actuated by the most solemn convictions of duty to Christ and his church. We therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we feel happy at the fraternal union and intercourse existing between our church and our venerable Mother Church, the Church of England; and particularly as evidenced in the various Episcopal acts in which our beloved Bishop was happily engaged during his recent sojourn in England; and that we most cordially and affectionately reciprocate his feelings of devotion to his Diocese.

JAMES McELROY,
SHERLOCK A. BRONSON,
JAMES HALL,
Committee

Which was accepted, and the report and accompanying resolution unanimously adopted.

Rev. Mr. Britton, on behalf of the committee on that part of the Bishop's Address which refers to the death of Bishop Chase, presented the following report:

The Bishop's just and eloquent tribute to the character and services of the late Right Rev'd Bishop Chase, has forcibly brought before the minds of your committee the hardships, labors and sacrifices of that venerable Father in God, in laying the foundation of this now important Diocese. Two of us were early associated with him in his pioneer labors, and one of us has been most highly honored by his special regard without previous acquaintance, in being his choice for the high and responsible post of, in his own language "first his beloved assistant and afterwards trusted successor," in the office of a chief pastor of his flock, and to the hour of his death enjoyed his confidence. *All* of us, therefore, feel a melancholy pleasure in recalling his ardent piety, his indomitable energy, unflinching firmness and unquenchable zeal in doing what he believed was his solemn duty to Christ and the Church, and cherish a regard for his memory, unalloyed by any painful association, which is peculiar and imperishable.

Whatever alienation once existed on the part of the Convention of this Diocese from that great and good man, has long since passed away, and we believe that throughout the Diocese of Ohio but one feeling is prevalent, and that is—reverence for his memory.

In looking upon the monuments of his labor and wisdom as we see them in bold relief on Gambier hill, we praise God that he lived and labored, and that he died as he lived, a glorious example of the spirit of a Christian Bishop, and would gladly "give honor to whom honor is due," and propose the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Diocese of Ohio cherishes the memory of the late Right Rev. P. Chase, D.D., her first Bishop, as truly a Father in God, and a bright and shining light in the Church of Christ, and as a suitable outward sign of her inward reverence for his character and labors, would recommend the erection of a Mural Tablet to his memory in Rosse Chapel at Gambier.

Accepted and laid on the table for the present.

The Convention took a recess for divine worship, till half past one o'clock, p. m.

FRIDAY, 1½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The tellers appointed to collect and count the ballots cast for Deputies to the General Convention, reported

that the following persons had received a majority of the votes cast and were duly elected:

Of the Clergy.—Rev. W. R. Nicholson, Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., and Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.

Of the Laity.—Messrs. James Hall, C. Delano and E. T. Sterling.

There being a deficiency of one of each order, it was ordered that, with reference to the lay deputy yet to be chosen, further balloting be dispensed with; whereupon Mr. M. G. Mitchell being nominated, was unanimously elected *viva voce.*

Proceeded to the election of the remaining clerical deputy, when on counting the ballots, the tellers reported that there was no election.

On the third ballot, the tellers announced that the Rev. Dr. Burr had received a majority of all the votes cast, and he was accordingly declared duly elected.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Burr, the Convention took up the report of the committee on that part of the Bishop's Address which refers to the death of Bishop Chase, [See p. 36,] and the report and accompanying resolution were adopted.

Rev. Dr. Brooke in the Chair, on motion by Rev. C. W. Fitch,

Resolved, That the committee to which was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the decease of the late Presiding Bishop Chase, be instructed to take into consideration the propriety, and if thought proper, to propose a plan, for erecting a Mural Tablet in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, to the memory of the Rt. Reverend Philander Chase, D.D., the first Bishop of Ohio, and founder of Kenyon College.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College was accepted. [See p. 30 et seq.]

Col. Bond offered the following preamble and resolution:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to confer with the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College, and to make full and detailed

report on the financial condition of the Church institutions at Gambier, together with their opinion of the plan of investment adopted or proposed by the Board of Trustees, having been unable to discharge that duty; therefore

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, with instructions still to perform said duties. And in order to do so more satisfactorily, the report this day made by the Trustees of Kenyon College is referred to said committee, that the matters thereof may be carefully considered and reported on. And said committee is also hereby further instructed to examine into the state and condition of the several Church institutions at Gambier, and to report the same with their opinion upon the necessity or expediency of any further action in the premises on the part of this Convention. Such report to be made at the next annual Convention.

Moved, That said preamble and resolution be laid on the table.

Lost; and after an animated discussion, the same were adopted, and the President appointed as the committee named in said resolution: Rev. L. Windsor, Rev. H. B. Wallbridge, Wm. K. Bond, T. C. Jones, and J. W. Andrews.

The Committee on Finance offered the following report, which was laid on the table:

The Committee on Finance are in duty bound to report the following facts:

The assets for the current fiscal year ending at this time, applicable to the Episcopate, were $2,792.51, of which $635.51 were arrearages of former years, and $2,157 assessments of the present year.

Of these, your Treasurer has received $2,086.61 and from voluntary contributions from several Parishes, $129.20, making $2,215.81, which has been applied to payment of salary of the Bishop for the present year, the balance upon arrearages due the Bishop for former years, still leaving a balance of that long standing liability of $445.65 unpaid.

Your Treasurer's books show a balance of arrears of the past, and so running back for many former years, in gross amount of $833.49.

Your committee have carefully considered these assets as to length of time standing, present ability and disposition to meet them, and find in most of them that no reliance can be placed on them.

A moiety only of them will ever be paid. Longer dependence upon these to meet the just and long standing claim of the Bishop, will but certainly perpetuate our shame and dishonor.

It only remains for the Convention to elect between repudiation and addressing ourselves in earnest to the work of providing for it in a new assessment on a more ample basis. The latter course your Committee would most respectfully, but earnestly press upon this Convention.

The path of duty is plain. For the honor of our Diocese, for the honor of our Christian name, from love to our beloved Dioecsan, let every member of this Convention, without excuses, without censure, take that measure of responsibility as meted out, determining that upon our assembling at our next annual Convention, the Treasurer shall be able to report this Diocese free from debt.

Your Committee would report the contingent fund sufficient to meet all necessary drafts upon it—and finally we would recommend the following assessments for the current year as being needful to discharge present liabilities.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1853-54.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Conting't Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's	$20	$5
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	20	5
Bellevue, St. Paul's	10	2
Berkshire, Grace	8	2
Boardman, St. James'	8	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's	8	2
Centreville, St. David's	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	100	12
Cincinnati, Christ	400	50
Cincinnati, St. John's	175	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	225	30
Cincinnati, Trinity	10	2
Circleville, St. Philip's	35	8
Cleveland, Grace	30	4
Cleveland, St. Paul's	100	10
Cleveland, Trinity	100	12
Columbia, St. Luke's	5	1
Columbus, St. Paul's	30	6
Columbus, Trinity	100	15
Cross Creek, St. James'	15	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Dayton, Christ	80	8
Delaware, St. Peter's	60	10
Dresden, Zion	15	2
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	2	1
East Plymouth, St. Matthew's	8	2
East Springfield, St. John's	10	1
Elyria, St. Andrew's	5	2
Euclid, St. Paul's	8	1
Franklin, Christ	7	2
Fremont, St. Paul's	7	1
Gallipolis, St. Peter's	2	1
Gambier, Harcourt	50	6
Grafton, St. Stephen's	4	1
Granville, St. Luke's	20	4
Greenville, St. Paul's	2	2

ASSESSMENTS — *Continued.*

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Contingt Fund.
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	$1	$1
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	1	1
Hudson, Christ	25	5
Huron, Christ	8	2
Jefferson, Trinity	5	1
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	6	1
Lyme, Trinity	10	2
Madison, St. Matthew's	8	2
Mansfield, Grace	15	4
Marietta, St. Luke's	20	5
Marion, St. Paul's	8	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's	50	5
Maumee City, St. Paul's	8	2
Medina, St. Paul's	75	5
Milan, St. Luke's	8	2
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	5	2
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	90	10
Mt. Vernon, Christ,	10	2
Newark, Trinity	20	5
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	8	3
Norwalk, St. Paul's	50	8
Ohio City, St. John's	35	6
Painesville, St. James'	25	5
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel	3	1
Perry, St. Matthew's	5	2
Piqua, St. James'	68	10
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints'	85	10
Rome, St. Peter's	1	1
Roscoe, Immanuel	1	1
Sandusky City, Grace	75	10
Springfield, Christ	20	2
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas	2	1
Steubenville, St. Paul's	70	10
Strongsville, St. Philip's	2	1
Toledo, Trinity	50	8
Troy, Trinity	10	1
Unionville, St. Michael's	1	1
Urbana, Epiphany	10	2
Wakeman, St. John's	4	1
Warren, Christ	20	5
Windsor, Christ	..	..
Wooster, St. James'	8	2
Worthington, St. John's	10	2
Zanesville, St. James'	90	12

We would further recommend that the Treasurer be authorized and recommended to effect compromises with delinquent Parishes on such conditions as he shall deem best, for the purpose of obtaining a finality in our old arrearage account, all of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE S. DAVIS,
CALEB HOWARD,
WARREN MUNGER,
Committee.

The report of the Secretary of the Missionary and Education Committee was then read and referred to the standing Committee on Missions:

The Missionary and Education Committee report to the Convention, that, through the blessing of God upon the means used to arouse the churches, and especially upon the agency recommended by the committee last year and approved by the Convention, a most happy change has, during the year, been brought about in the condition of the Diocesan Missionary funds.

The committee this year entered upon their duties under the pressure of a debt of about $530, due not to those who could well wait for their money, but to the needy, self-denying, faithful missionaries and beneficiaries, young men preparing for the ministry. The year before, $1650 had been appropriated and only about $1700 received. But such was the demand for assistance in the missionary field, and such the known ability of the church, that the committee did not believe they ought to attempt to diminish the indebtedness by restricting their operations. They went forward, therefore, in faith, and appropriated $1875 to fourteen missionaries and eight beneficiaries.

The committee then caused an address to be prepared and circulated throughout the Diocese, setting forth the financial difficulties of the committee and the urgent demand in every quarter for help. This was followed by the appointment of the Rev. Mr. Strong as special agent, to visit the parishes and present the subject, where convenient, in the congregations, and, if possible, more privately to each individual of the church. The agent has been employed in this work, as much as his time and health would allow, with great energy, tact and perseverance.

The result of all, it is believed, is a large increase of missionary zeal in churches, and much more liberal contributions to the missionary funds. The Treasurer has been enabled to pay off both the $530 of arrearages and all the needed appropriations of this year, amounting altogether to $2394.89. And he will still have a balance on hand of $461.01, to be carried to the account of the ensuing year. This state of things calls for devout thanksgiving in the church and renewed courage to persevere in endeavoring to preach the Gospel to every creature.

The committee have no new plans to propose. They would recommend the continuance of the special agency for another year, and that the Diocese resolve to raise $4000 for the work the ensuing year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. BADGER, *Secretary.*

Rev. Alfred Blake, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, presented and read his annual Report, which, on motion, was adopted, as follows:

A. BLAKE, *Treasurer, in account with the* MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS *of the Diocese of Ohio.*

1852–3.	Dr.
Convention collection at Chillicothe, 1852	$72.22
Bellevue, St. Paul's	20.25
Berkshire, Grace	3.00
Boardman, St. James'	15.66
Canfield, St. James'	15.34
Clifton Chapel	21.00
Centreville, St. David's	8.00
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	134.93
Cincinnati, Christ	697.12
" " Butler & Bro.	100.00—797.12
" St. Paul's	228.10
" St. John's	172.71
Cleveland, Trinity	44.50
" St. Paul's	104.50
" Grace	12.19
Columbus, Trinity	41.00
" St. Paul's	17.25
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	50.00
" " to Rev. A. Phelps	8.56—58.56
Cross Creek, St. James'	5.00
Dayton, Christ	10.00
" " J. Powell	3.00—13.00
Delaware, St. Peter's	45.00
" " Mrs. C. W. Little	5.00—50.00
Dresden, Zion	83.62
East Liverpool, (Mrs. W. Warner,)	2.00
Elyria, St. Andrew's	10.00
Franklin, Christ	3.00
Gambier, Harcourt	164.25
Grafton, St. Stephen's	3.50
Granville, St. Luke's	19.85
" " Female Benevolent Society	5.00—24.85
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	3.50
Hudson, Christ	13.00
Huron, Christ	5.00
Jefferson, Trinity	5.25
Lancaster, St. John's	10.00
Lyme, Trinity	13.00
Madison, St. Matthew's	18.25
Mansfield, Grace	10.00
Marietta, St. Luke's	65.00
Marion, St. Paul's	4.00

Massillon, St. Timothy's	52.00	
" " Female Missionary Society	37.00	
" " Miss Becket	3.00	—92.00
Maumee, St. Paul's		12.00
Medina, St. Paul's		28.00
Milan, St. Luke's		10.76
Mill Creek, St. Mark's		10.58
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's		70.75
Newark, Trinity		13.00
Newton Falls, St. Mark's		11.25
Norwalk, St. Paul's		52.76
Ohio City, St. John's		43.25
Painesville, St. James'		11.85
Penfield, Christ		8.00
Piqua, St. James'		23.00
Pomeroy, Grace		50.00
Portsmouth, All Saints'		168.76
Springfield, Christ		24.00
Steubenville, St. Paul's		117.00
Strongsville, St. Philip's		10.00
Toledo, Trinity		18.20
Urbana, Epiphany		9.72
Warren, Christ		43.44
Windsor, Christ		1.00
Wooster, St. James'		14.20
Zanesville, St. James'		52.50
Rev. W. C. French, Worthington		1.00
Rev. J. L. Bryan, Granville		2.00
James Pierson, Bloomfield		2.18
C. B. Sprague, Wadsworth		5.00
Luke Douglas, Chillicothe, 4 years' scholarship		60.00
		$3270.67

1853.	CONTRA,	CR.
Cash paid Missionaries, (arrears)		$464.85
" Beneficiaries, do.		55.00
Cash paid Missionaries the present year—		
Rev. G. B. Sturges	$100.00	
" T. B. Dooley	100.00	
" C. B. Stout	100.00	
" " special donation	14.00	
" A. Edwards	100.00	
" J. E. Pattison	100.00	
" A. Bronson	25.00	
" H. Hollis	100.00	
" A. Phelps	100.00	
" " special donation	8.56	
" A. Clark	100.00	
" R. M. Jukes	100.00	

Rev. S. Marks	$50.00	
" A. T. McMurphey	75.00	
" R. S. Nash	55.00	
" R. Gray	150.00	—1277.56
Cash paid Beneficiaries the present year		676.62
" Rev. E. A. Strong, Agent		262.50
" Expenses of ditto		64.38
" Exchange, postage, &c.		4.75
Balance on hand		465.01
		$3270.67

The President appointed as the committee on the State of the Church, to report to the General Convention, as required by Canon XI, the Rev. Dr. Burr and the Secretary.

Messrs. M. White and A. G. Scott were appointed to audit the report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee.

On motion, by Mr. S. R. Ross,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rev. E. A. Strong, for the efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties as General Agent of the Missionary and Education Committee of this Diocese.

Adjourned till 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 8 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention assembled and united in prayers and other devotional exercises.

The report of the Finance Committee [see pp. 38–41,] was on motion taken up, and adopted.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, chairman of the standing Committee on Missions, presented the following report, which, with the accompanying resolutions, were unanimously adopted:

The Standing Committee on Missions beg leave to submit the following: That the "annual tale of empty treasuries and unpaid missionaries," so bitterly lamented in the previous report of your committee, has been

told, we trust, for the last time, to the Convention of this Diocese. The report of the treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee exhibits a most encouraging state of things, as compared with former years. There is now remaining in the treasury a surplus, after the liquidation of all arrearages and the payment of all the appropriations of the past year.

The amount received over that of the previous year is more than $1,000, and the Missionary and Education Committee will begin the year with more than $400 in hand.

This is truly delightful. Unquestionably this state of things is chiefly due, under God, to the zeal and faithfulness of the traveling agent, whose services, in compliance with a resolution of the last Convention, were secured by the Missionary and Education Committee during the past year. Nevertheless, we have seen what we can do, if only we set ourselves to work with a right good will. May this be but as a drop before the shower! We need a vast deal more money for our purposes as an extending church.

We recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Missionary and Education Committee be requested to continue the traveling agency of the Rev. Mr. Strong.

Resolved, That it is our duty, and that it is within our power, and that therefore we will try, to raise, during the next year, $4000 for the purposes of that committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Chairman.*

The various propositions respecting the place of holding the next Annual Convention, were brought up, and after discussion, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Grace Church, Sandusky City.

A resolution was offered by Rev. Mr. Stout, empowering the Deputies to the General Convention to fill any vacancies in their delegation, which was lost, that exigency being otherwise provided for by Canon IX.

In consequence of the temporary absence of the Secretary, the resolution to adjourn *sine die* at 11 o'clock, a. m., this day, was reconsidered and rescinded.

Several members asked and obtained leave of absence during the remainder of the sessions.

The resolution indefinitely postponing the subject of a change in that part of Article II of the Constitution, which fixes the time of holding the annual conventions, was

reconsidered, and on motion, the amendment proposed and approved at the last Convention, and recorded on page 42 of the Journal of that Convention, was adopted, the two orders voting separately—viz: clergy, ayes 20, noes 1; laity, ayes 22, noes 1: so that the first sentence of said Article II now reads thus:

"There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention."

Rev. Mr. Irish offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be gratefully tendered to the congregation of St. Peter's Church, and the citizens of Delaware, for their kind hospitality to the members attending the same; also, to the committee appointed by the vestry of this church, for their laudable efforts in providing for our comfort during our stay in this place.

The Secretary was instructed to publish 750 copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The Convention then took a recess till two, p. m.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and united in prayer.

The Secretary read the minutes of all the previous sessions, which were amended and approved.

The President returned thanks to the Convention for the kind and courteous treatment he had received as its presiding officer, when, after offering prayers, and the singing of the 40th Hymn, and the Apostolic benediction, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,
President of the Convention.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

ROLL OF CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION.

CLERGY.

The Reverend CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, President.

The Rev. HENRY BLACKALLER,
" " ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.,
" " JOHN BOYD,
" " JAMES B. BRITTON,
" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,
" " JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,
" " JOHN L. BRYAN,
" " ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,
" " LEWIS BURTON,
" " LAWSON CARTER,
" " ANSON CLARK,
" " JOHN W. CLARK,
" " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D.,
" " E. H. CUMMING,
" " G. S. DAVIS,
" " THOMAS B. DOOLEY,
" " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTLE,
" " GEO. WASHINGTON DUBOIS,
" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD,
" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN,
" " WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
" " RICHARD GRAY,
" " H. T. HEISTER,
The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN,
" " WM. NORMAN IRISH,
" " MARK RICHARD JUKES,
" " JAMES MCELROY,
" " ALBERT T. MCMURPHEY,
" " SAMUEL MARKS,
" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,
" " RODNEY S. NASH,
" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH,
" " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON,
" " JAMES E. PATTISON,
" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D.,
" " WILLIAM PRESTON,
" " DANIEL RISSER,
" " ALVAH SANFORD,
" " CHARLES B. STOUT,
" " GEORGE B. STURGES,
" " E. A. STRONG,
" " DUDLEY A. TYNG,
" " HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE,
" " M. T. C. WING, D.D.,
" " EDWARD WINTHROP.

LAY DELEGATES.

St. Paul's, Bellevue—John Grimes.
Grace, Berkshire—James P. Crawford, Wm. G. Shelton, J. W. Foote.
St. Stephen's, Canfield—James Wallace, Stanley C. Lockwood.
St. Paul's, Chillicothe—Albert Douglas.
Christ, Cincinnati—David K. Este, James Hall.
St. John's, Cincinnati—Wm. Wood, Egbert A. Thompson, Gideon Burton.
St. Paul's, Cincinnati—Wm. Key Bond, D. K. Cady.
St. Philip's, Circleville—T. C. Jones.
Grace, Cleveland—D. E. Field.
St. Paul's, Cleveland—E. T. Sterling, Aaron Clark.
St. Luke's, Columbia—D. A. Clark.
Trinity, Columbus—J. W. Andrews, S. B. Fay, Richard L. Chittenden.
Christ, Dayton—Warren Munger.
St. Peter's, Delaware—C. Howard, T. W. Cox.

Zion, Dresden—George W. Adams, James Robinson.
Harcourt, Gambier—Wm. J. Scott, J. S. Sawer.
St. Stephen's, Grafton—Carlos Fisher.
Christ, Huron—A. J. McDonald.
St. James', Kingston—Robert Maxwell.
St. Mathew's, Madison—Thomas Armstrong.
St. Paul's, Marion—Eber Baker.
St. Timothy's, Massillon—Thos. McCullough.
St. Paul's, Medina—Herman Canfield, Isaac Bronson.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—E. Alling, A. Baldwin Norton.
Christ, Mt. Vernon—Matthew H. Mitchell.
St Paul's, Norwalk—Giles Boalt.
St. James', Painesville—Alexander Thompson.
St. Mathew's. Perry—Mathew Trimble.
All Saints', Portsmouth—Samuel R. Ross, Wm. Hall.
Grace, Sandusky City—Wm. A. Simpson.
Christ, Springfield—Thomas Winwood, James A. Bean, Benj. Moore.
Trinity, Toledo—Lucius N. Voight.
St. John's, Worthington—Ezra Gilbert, Charles E. Burr.
St. James', Zanesville—James Caldwell, Moses M. Granger, Wm. Townsend.

The following persons not entitled to seats, being present, were invited to sit as Honorary Members of the Convention, under the XVIth Rule of Order:

Of the Diocese of Ohio:

The Rev. THOMAS CORLETT,
" " D. C. MAYBIN,
" " JOSEPH E. RYAN,
The Rev. JAMES TRIMBLE,
" " SPENCER WALL.

Of the Diocese of Virginia:

The Rev. J. RAMBO, Missionary to Africa.

Of the Diocese of Toronto:

The Rev. R. V. ROGERS, of Kingston, C. W.

Of the 74 clergymen in the Diocese, 51 were present, 46 of whom were entitled to seats.

Of the 83 parishes in the Diocese, entitled to a lay representation of 249—45 sent testimonials of the election of delegates, and 34 were represented in the Convention by 55 lay delegates.

COMMITTEES, TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D.,	A. G. SCOTT,
" JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,	MARDENBRO WHITE,
" M. T. C. WING, D.D.,	ROLLIN C. HURD.

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APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1853.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 35; diminished, by removal, 10; present number, 25.

For Bishop's salary, $25.

In consequence of this parish being without a clergyman for the last year, until the present time, the reports are incomplete.

P. BENNETT, *Senior Warden.*

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The late rector of this parish respectfully reports, that this parish contains 295 baptized persons, of whom 178 are adults, and 117 are minors. The other statistics are: Baptisms—adults, 4; children, 15; total, 19. Communicants—last reported, 152; increased, by admission, 9; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 3; by being stricken off for non-attendance, 1; present number, 156. Burials—infant, 1; adult, 3; total, 4.

The rector collected last spring for the Episcopate and Contingent Funds, $20, and put the same into the hands of the parish treasurer to be transmitted to the treasurer of the Convention. It is expected more will be added.

For missionary services performed by Rev. Mr. Bingham, in the county of Ashtabula, there has been paid him $27.43.

The children, as usual, have been catechised publicly and at their homes.

On Sunday last, I offered the vestry my resignation of the rectorship of this parish, and to-day, by their secretary, they have notified me of their acceptance of the same. All of which is respectfully submitted.

August 30, 1853. JOHN HALL, *late Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Bellevue.

Baptisms—infant, 9; adult, 5. Communicants—last reported, 22; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 3; present number, 18.

We have no Sunday School for want of room and teachers, but have just started a catechetical class, which we shall continue.

Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $15.50; Bethel Cause, $2—Total, $29.50.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Communicants—last reported, 24; present number, 24. Children in Sunday School, 30; teachers, 7.

Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Domestic Missions, $3—Total, $13.

St. James' Church, Boardman.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 26; increased, by transfer, 7; present number, 33.

Bishop's salary, (on arrearages, $13.11; on present assessment, $12,) $25.11; Contingent fund, $2; Foreign Missions, $3.30; Diocesan Missions, $15.66; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $5.15—Total, $51.22.

This parish, though weak, has, with praiseworthy zeal, set about the erection of a parsonage upon the glebe lot belonging to the parish. Upwards of five hundred dollars have already been pledged to this object within the parish, and two hundred dollars more by two kind friends in the East. $370 of other funds belonging to the parish have been appropriated to this object. The contract for the erection of the buildings has been entered into for the sum of $1200 and the work commenced, to be completed by the first of next August. The parish having been some time without pastoral care, seemed to be a field whose prospects were somewhat discouraging, yet, with patient labor, and the dews of the divine blessing, it is to be hoped that much precious fruit may yet be brought to perfection here. C. S. DOOLITTLE, *Minister.*

St. Stephen's Church, Canfield.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 21; increased, by admission, 4; present number, 25. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, (on arrearages, $12.50; on present assessment, $6,) $18.50; Contingent fund, $2; Foreign Miss. $3.70; Diocesan Miss. $15.35; Sunday School, $10; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $4.25; Contingent expenses of the Church, $3; in part pay for a melodeon, $75—Total, $131.80.

Although the number of communicants belonging to this parish is small, yet a spirit of Christian love and zeal prevails among them; and I trust that by God's blessing their number will soon be increased. The size of the congregation, and the apparent interest manifested, furnish ground for encouragement. Besides holding two regular services every Sunday, (one at Boardman, in the morning, and one at Canfield, in the afternoon,) I have preached several times in a school house in the country, and three times also in Poland. This last is a promising field of labor. C. S. DOOLITTLE, *Minister.*

St. David's Church, Centreville.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2, Communicants—last reported, 82; increased, by admission, 2; diminished, by death,

1; by removal, 4; present number, 77. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 10; catechised, 24 times..

Bishop's salary, $6; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Miss. $8; Bible Soc. $50—Total, $65.

The state of this parish is much the same as it was last year.

ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—infant, 15. Marriages, 9. Burials, 15. Communicants—last reported, 113, instead of 115, an error; increased, by admission, 7; diminished, by death, 4; by removal, 13; present number, 103; Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 10; catechised, 12 times.

Bishop's salary, $80; Contingent fund, $12; Communion Alms, $68.42; Diocesan Miss. $134.93; Sunday School, $25.60; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $15; Bible Soc. $80; weekly contingent expenses of the church, $96.85; for St. John's Church, Lancaster, $44.00; raised by the ladies, to liquidate a debt of the church, $195; premium on life insurance policy of rector, $37; scholarship scrip in Kenyon College for 4 years, to Miss. and Ed. Com., by Luke Douglas, Esq., $60—Total, $848.80.

It will be perceived, from the above report, that the parish has suffered greatly, during the last year, from the death and removal of its members. Thirteen of its communicants have removed, and four have died, since the last Convention. Indeed, for several years past, emigration has been *from* the parish, and but few persons have been added to it by immigration. This is rather a discouraging state of things for the church in this city, but I feel confident the tide of population will turn in her favor so soon as the railroad and other improvements now in progress are completed. In the meantime, it becomes us to labor on in patience and in hope. It is due, perhaps, to the parish and its rector to say that, notwithstanding deaths and removals have been very numerous during the last few years, the communion is as large as it was four years ago, and the congregation is quite as large. My missionary services have been rendered, as in former years, in St. James' Church, Kingston, where I have officiated once a month. The rector has to acknowledge himself the recipient of many acts of kindness on the part of his parishioners. May God abundantly bless and reward them in this life and in the world to come. L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 33; adult, 10. Confirmations, 28. Marriages, 10. Burials, 12. Communicants—increased, by admission, 28; by transfer, 12; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 6; present number, (as well as can be ascertained,) 200. Sunday School—children, 170; teachers, 20.

Bishop's salary, $264; Contingent fund, $50; Foreign Missions, $237.93; Diocesan Missions, $1479.62; Sunday School, $171.31; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $78.25; Young men's Bible Soc. of Cincinnati, $322; Cincinnati Orph. Asylum, $354.70; Evangelical Press, $243.

95; Ch. of Epiphany, Urbana, O., $84; St. John's, Lancaster, O., $296; St. Paul's, Maumee City, O., $160; Cincinnati Relief Union, $148.01; Communion alms, not above included, $409.25; improvement of church edifice, $2500—Total, $6,799.01.

DUDLEY A. TYNG, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 35. Confirmations, 20. Marriages, 21. Burials, 17. Communicants—last reported, 121; increased, by admission, 20; by transfer, 43; diminished, by removal, 16; present number, 168. Sunday School—children, 198; teachers, 30; catechised, 9 times.

Bishop's salary, $100; Contingent funds, $10; Foreign Miss. $100; do. by S. S. children, $7.58; Diocesan Miss. $159.61; do. by S. S. children, $12; for Sunday School, $185.75; communion offerings, $291.87; by a communicant, for the missionary at Franklin Mills, $5; by a communicant, for six months' support of a missionary in Texas, $200; by a communicant, for support of a missionary at Hillsborough, O., $50; arrearages of Diocese to Episcopate, $31—Total, $1154.81.

In addition to what is stated above as to the average attendance of S. S. scholars, I may remark, that the whole number of children now belonging to the school is 226. During the year, 417 names have been entered on the record. Of these, some were children of Romanist parents, and have been taken away. One or two were excommunicated by the Romanist priest. The library contains about 600 vols.

The congregation entered their new edifice immediately after the last Convention, and although at that time there was a debt of upwards of $50,000, now only about $12,000 remains unpaid.

In every view, I believe the parish may be said to be prosperous.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 38; adult, 2. Confirmations, 12. Marriages, 12. Burials, 13. Communicants—last reported, 182; increased, by admission, 12; by transfer, 27; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 20; present number, 200. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 8; catechised, 12.

Bishop's salary, $150; Contingent fund, $30; Foreign Missions, $56.72; Diocesan Missions, $247.72; Sunday School, $22.74; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $30; Communion Alms, $357.81; Cin. Orph. Asy. 70.50; for Epiphany Ch., Urbana, collected by Rev. C. B. Stout, $15; for church at Lancaster, collected by Rev. Mr. Risser, $84; N. York Bible, Com. Prayer Book and Tract Socs. $28.25; raised by the ladies of St. Paul's Church, for missionary service in the northwestern part of the city, $410; contributed to same object, by Church Extension society of St. Paul's Church, $100; raised by ladies of St. Paul's Church, to pay off church debt, $560; contributed by a communicant, to same object, $100.—Total, 2,262.74.

In October, a service and Sunday School were undertaken by the rector of St. Paul's amongst a destitute population in the northwestern

section of the city. These services were held in the afternoon of every Sunday, and without assistance, until the commencement of spring, when the services of Rev. J. R. B. Trader, of Danville, Ky., were secured, mainly with a view to carrying on this mission. Both morning and evening services are held each Sunday in a room the rent of which is paid by churchmen and others residing in the neighborhood—and the Holy Communion is administered monthly. "Our help is in the Lord who hath made heaven and earth."

JOHN W. CLARK, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

[No report.]

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The present minister entered upon his duties the last Sunday in May of the present year. No. of communicants found on the parish register, 68; of these 7 have removed, 3 were recorded as suspended or otherwise under discipline; deaths, 1; added, by transfer, 2; by admission, 1; present number, 60. Baptisms—infant 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 5. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 8; visited by the rector every Sunday.

For Episcopate, $35; Contingent fund, $8; Diocesan Miss. and Ed. $29; Bible Soc. $15; Seaman's Friend Soc. $40; Wid. and Orph. Soc. $6.41; Alms for the poor of the parish, $5; for fitting up S. S. room and other S. School purposes, $42.62; for incidental expenses of parish, about $60—Total, $241.03.

Besides the above, $800 have recently been subscribed, for the purchase of a parsonage, a portion of which has been paid.

The parish has suffered much from removals, so that, notwithstanding accessions, the number of communicants is the same as that reported some years ago, and the ability of the parish is thought by residents not to have increased. But the present vigorous and liberal effort to secure a parsonage, and the readiness with which the pews have been taken, speak highly for the interest of the congregation in the services; and the minister would acknowledge with thanks the kindness of the people to himself and family. May He "whose blessing maketh rich and addeth no sorrow with it, send us now" much *spiritual* "prosperity," to the praise and glory of His grace.

Missionary services twice each month: once in the country and once at Kingston.

R. S. NASH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 12; adult, 4. Marriages, 11. Burials, 19. Communicants—last reported, 73; increased, by admission, 5; by transfer, 41; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 22; present number, 97. Sunday School—children, 65; teachers, 10; catechised, 12 times.

Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $4; Diocesan Miss. $12; Sunday School, $43; for arrears of Bishop's fund, $10; of Contingent, $7—Total, $86.

The parish has lost many members by removals from the city, but the number has been more than supplied by accessions. The public services are comparatively well attended. Several hundred dollars have been expended in improving the church edifice, and more extensive improvements are now being made—all affording encouraging expectations of increasing strength and usefulness.

LAWSON CARTER, *Rector.*
G. B. PERRY, *Associate Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 10. Marriages, 6. Burials, 8. Communicants—found in the parish March 1st, 67; increased, by admission, 2; by transfer, 12; diminished, by removal, 1; present number, 80. Sunday School—children, 90; teachers, 15; catechised, 8 times.

Bishop's salary, $80; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, (in Sunday School,) $33.36; Diocesan Missions, $105.50; Sunday School, $57.37; for sufferers at New Orleans, $43.82; at communion, for various purposes, $18.85—Total, 348.90.

The present rector took charge of this parish on the 1st of March, 1853. A subscription of $12,000 has been made towards providing funds for finishing the church edifice and liquidating the debt. The church is now in process of completion.

R. BETHELL CLAXTON, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

[No report.]

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

The rectorship is vacant. Baptisms—infant, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 34; diminished, by removal, 1; present number, 33.

Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $1; Diocesan Missions, $11.19—Total, $16.19.

ORANGE CLARK, } *Wardens.*
ROBERT J. BASTARD, }

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 22; adult, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Communicants—last reported, 58; increased, by admission, 10; by transfer, 11; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 7; by erasure of names, 2; present number, 65. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; catechised, 64 times.

Diocesan Missions, $22.25; Sunday School, $13; fixtures for warming church, $114—Total, $149.25.

In addition to the above services, I baptized the infant daughter of the rector of St. John's Church, Worthington. I also baptized an infant at the request of Rev. E. Ingersoll, rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo, W. N. Y., in that parish.

W. NORMAN IRISH, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 7; adult, 1. Marriages, 11. Burials, 15. Communicants added, 16; died and removed, 14; present number, 107.

Contribution to support of Episcopate and Contingent fund, including $53 arrearages, $153; various other objects, $384—Total, $537.

WM. PRESTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 52; increased, by transfer, 1; diminished, by death, 2; present number, 51.

Bishop's salary, $14; Contingent fund, $7; Diocesan Missions, $3.38; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $4; Communion Plate, &c., $11—Total, $39.38.

The faithful men of this parish have held on their usual course the past year. No other than the silent changes of former years have taken place. The aged are departing to their long rest, and but few take their places. There is a wide field around me, which I can cultivate but partly and poorly. The traveling expenses of your missionary have been no small item, yet he would gladly have done more. In these days of high prices, horses and carriages must be owned by others than the missionary.

During the past year, I have delivered 37 sermons and lectures at Cross Creek, 22 at East Springfield, 16 at St. Clairsville, 6 at East Liverpool, 4 at Ravenswood, Va., and two at Wheeling. I have also preached and lectured 28 times at Steubenville, for the Rev. I. Morse, which includes the services during Passion Week, as in the year previous, and those while he was a few weeks absent during the summer. For him I also baptized three infants and attended four burials.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector, P. O. Steubenville.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Baptisms—infant, 1; in Akron, 2. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6; in Akron, 2. Communicants—last reported, 52; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; diminished, by removal, 3; present number, 51. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 8; preached to children on afternoon of Communion Sundays, 7 times.

Bishop's salary, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Foreign Missions, $8.60; Domestic Missions, $8; Diocesan Missions, $58.56; Sunday School, $13.81; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6; Prayer Books, $6.50; as provided in Rubric to Communion office, $6.70; sundries, $3.21; blinds for parsonage, by ladies' society, $42.75; to build fence around church edifice, &c., about $100—Total, $284.13.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Baptisms—infant, 14; adult, 4. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Communicants—last reported, 112; increased, by ad-

mission, 9; by transfer, 6; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 12; by discipline, 4; present number, 109. Sunday School—children, 75; teachers, 13; catechised, 50 times.

Bishop's salary, $75; Contingent fund, $8; Foreign Missions, $10; Diocesan Missions, $20; Sunday School, $35; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $12.38; Racine College, $17; Communion Alms, $55.40; ladies' society for church improvement, $300—Total, $532.78.

The church edifice of this parish has been improved during the past year by the erection of an imposing front, and an enlargement, giving us several new pews, and now accommodates about 600 persons. Worship for the first time in the enlarged building was held in December last. The pews are nearly all rented, and the congregation much increased since the improvement, which has cost about $4000.

JAMES B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 8. Burials, 8. Communicants —last reported, 85; increased, by admission, 4; by transfer, 2; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 86. Sunday School—children, 114; teachers, 16; catechised, 7 times.

Bishop's salary, $50; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, $61; Diocesan Missions, $84.70; Sunday School, $40; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $6; furnace for church, $125; American Bible Soc. $59; Seaman's Friend Soc. $16; Foreign Union Soc. $3; American Colonization Soc. $5; liquidation of the whole debt on the parish, $1,629.66; additional subscription to the rectory, $1,300—Total, $3,389.36.

The rector of St. Peter's, Delaware, is happy to add that his parish is entirely free from debt, and in many parochial elements highly prosperous. The rectory is nearly finished, and when completed, will not only be commodious and substantial, but truly neat and elegant. It would be highly creditable to any parish in the Diocese. We hope to occupy it early in October. The attendance at church is most gratifying and encouraging, and the parish is in delightful harmony, but we greatly need the ardor of a living faith and the unction of more devoted piety. We have five candidates for confirmation, and hope to receive, at an early day, a visit from the Bishop. I have officiated in Grace Church, Berkshire, three times, and administered the Lord's Supper once. I received from that parish $3 for our Diocesan Missionary and Education Committee. J. McELROY, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8. Communicants —last reported, 28; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 3; restored, 1; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 30. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 18.

Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Foreign Missions, $7.50; Diocesan Missions, $82.25; by S. S. for Foreign Missions, $4; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $2; American Tract Soc. $38—Total, $145.75.

The congregation of this parish is slowly but steadily increasing, and I am thankful to say, that there has been a more manifest interest in spiritual things than any previous year during my connection with it, and we hope ere long to see many additions to its communion of such as shall be finally and eternally saved.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, East Liverpool.

[No report.]

St Matthew's Church, East Plymouth.

[No report.]

St. John's Church, East Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 1. Communicants—last reported, 25; increased, by transfer, 2; present number, 27.

Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $2.-36; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $2.21—Total, $10.57.

There has been no material change in this parish the past year. The faithful few still hold on their way. The village is small, and those called Christians divided into many parts. One-fourth of my services are given here H. HOLLIS, *Rector, P. O. Steubenville.*

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

Baptisms—infant, 3; adult, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 10. Communicants—last reported, 22; increased, by admission, 2; transfer, 5; diminished, by removal, 3; present number, 26. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 5.

Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $10; Sunday School, $5.38; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $9; American Tract Soc. $20—Total, $54.38.

The above statistics show that the parish of St. Andrew's is slowly and steadily advancing in improvement. It has many and strong adverse influences to contend with, and any great increase either in numbers or strength is not to be expected. The town is increasing but slowly in population, and those who are here are generally fixed in their religious preferences as well as their prejudices. And of those who are disposed to change, the direction in which they are too generally led is one less encouraging to the cause of religion and truth than if their minds were drawn towards the church. The church, however, by the grace of God, is silently doing a great work, and ought by all means to be sustained, though but scanty results of her labors may at present be seen. The few Episcopalians here deserve great credit for their devoted and self-sacrificing attachment to the church, their love of her evangelical principles, and the affectionate interest constantly manifested towards the rector and his family.

In addition to the ordinary duties at home, the rector of St. Andrew's has performed missionary services at Penfield and at Oberlin. In both these places there ought to be regular services maintained. In

Oberlin there are 7 communicants, and in Penfield there are 10. The services of a missionary could be well employed in these places, if means could be obtained for his support. A. CLARK, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 19; increased, by admission, 2; by transfer, 1; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 5; present number, 15.

Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, 1—Total, $5.

This parish is now vacant. The Rev. J. A. Brayton has officiated for us the first Sundays in the month for seven months.

JOHN DOANE, *Senior Warden.*

Christ Church, Franklin Mills.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 9. Burials, 25. Communicants—last reported, 37; increased, by admission, 2; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 7; present number, 30.

Bishop's salary, $5; Contingent fund, $2; Foreign Missions, $3; Diocesan Missions, $3; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $3; Bible Soc. $3.50; other objects, $10—Total, $29.50. A. PHELPS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 6. Communicants—last reported, 14; increased, by admission, 2; diminished, by death, 1; present number, 15. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; catechised by rector frequently.

Bishop's salary, $5; Contingent fund, $1; Sunday School, $14,62; other objects, $42.30—Total, $62.92. H. T. HEISTER, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Gallipolis.

[No report.]

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—last reported, 70; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; diminished, by removal, 4; present number, 68.

Bishop's salary, $40; Contingent fund, $6; Episcopate fund, $10; Sunday School books, $18.60; Missionary and Education Committee, $58.35; African Colonization, $45; gratuitous distribution of papers of the Evangelical Knowledge Soc. $10—Total, $187.95.

J. T. BROOKE, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

Communicants—diminished, by death, 1; present number, 16.

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 62; increased, by transfer, 3; present number, 65. Sunday School—children, 33; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $4; Foreign Missions, $5; Diocesan Missions, $24.85; American Bible Soc. $5; Amer. Tract Soc. $5—Total, $63.85.

The undersigned further reports to the Bishop, that although the first promptings of his heart, and every feeling of personal gratification and desire would bind him to this his first parish, in connection with which he has spent the happiest years of his life, still, in obedience to the will of the church, he has resigned this charge and accepts the appointment as general missionary and agent of the Board of Missions and Education in the Diocese. E. A. STRONG, *late Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Hudson.

Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 4. Burials, 12. Communicants—last reported, 58; increased, by admission, 3; by transfer, 6; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 7; discipline, 1; present number, 58. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 7.

For Bishop's salary, $20; Contingent fund, $5; Domestic Missions, $6; Diocesan Missions, $10; Sunday School, $5; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $4; incidentals, &c. $40; liquidation of debt, $61—Total, $151.

The attendance upon the services of the church has been uniformly good, and we have had some manifestations of God's presence with us; but we are constrained to confess that there has been such an excessive attention to business and public enterprises connected with the welfare of the town, that the things of Christ have been sadly forgotten and neglected, and the interests of the church have suffered in proportion to the increase of their prosperity. T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

The rector, in presenting his report to the Bishop, thankfully acknowledges the goodness of God in sustaining him in all the duties of his ministry in this parish, during the last four trying years, and although his labors have not met with the success which has accompanied the ministry of others of his brethren in the cause of Christ, yet he has reason to be thankful that he has been enabled to keep this little flock in the fold.

A favorable change has come over the place, by the making of railroads, which, he trusts, will be the means of a larger population, and a wider field for the labors of the minister. O, that the time had come, when the declaration of Isaiah shall be verified in the case of our church,

"And they shall call thee the city of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel."

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 19. Communicants, 19. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 7. The children are met in the afternoon of the first Sunday in every month, in the church, for religious instruction.

Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $5—Total, $11.

Besides the duties of my own parish, I have preached, at times, at Milan, Florence and other places. S. MARKS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Communicants—last reported, 16; present number, 16.

Bishop's salary, $5. L. N. FREEMAN, R. S. NASH, } *Rectors.*

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—present number, 13. Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 6; catechised occasionally.

Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $10; Sunday School, $4; incidental expenses, $6—Total, $30.

The undersigned entered upon his duties as minister of this church September 13th, 1853.

At the beginning of his labors, the prospects of the parish were rather discouraging. The number of communicants, as previously reported by the Rev. A. Guion, had been diminished by removals, and as there had been only occasional services for several years, no additions had been made.

On account of the unfinished state of the church, service was held in the basement, and this was by many supposed to be a dangerous place on account of the condition of one of the towers, which, in consequence of a defect in the foundation, had settled and broken loose from the main building. At present, however, prospects are more favorable. Last spring a very liberal subscription was raised in the parish for the purpose of reconstructing the tower alluded to, and also completing the entire building. This subscription being inadequate, an effort was made by the undersigned to obtain a sufficient amount from neighboring churches, so that the work might be done without incurring any debt. This effort, he is happy to say, proved entirely successful. About $600 were generously contributed by Episcopalians in Cincinnati, Columbus, Chillicothe and Zanesville. A portion of this fund has been applied in rebuilding the tower, and the balance will soon be applied in the completion of the interior of the church. In two or three months it is hoped the building will be ready for consecration.

From the above it will be seen that this parish is very feeble, but the liberality and zeal of the few is truly gratifying. With the present

evidences of God's favor, both in temporal and spiritual things, there is ground for much encouragement.

The ladies of the congregation have presented their minister with a beautiful gown, which he desires here to acknowledge.

D. RISSER, *Minister.*

Trinity Church, Lyme.

Marriages, 3. Communicants—last reported, 23; increased, by transfer, 3; present number, 26. Our catechetical class is a substitute for a Sunday School, for want of teachers. Catechised by the rector nearly every Sunday.

Bishop's salary, $9.23; Contingent fund, $1; Domestic Missions, $10.19; Diocesan Missions, $16.60; American Bible Soc. $7.75—Total, $44.77.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Commmunicants—last reported, 25; increased, by admission, 3; diminished, by removal, 1; present number, 27. Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, $8; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $18.25; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $2—Total, $30.25.

This congregation is about to experience a serious loss by removals to the West, but we hope that, through the instrumentality of the Sabbath School which has been established, it will yet grow and prosper, though at present things look rather discouraging.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Mansfield.

Baptisms—infant, 9. Marriages, 7. Burials, 5. Communicants—last reported, 29; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 3; present number, 25. S. School—children, 64; teachers, 12; catechised, 12 times.

Bishop's salary, $30; Contingent fund, $4; Foreign Missions, $10; Domestic Missions, $5; Diocesan Missions, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $5; communion offerings, $36.23; paid balance due on organ, $81.40; incidental expenses of parish, exclusive of minister's salary, $100; raised to pay an arrearage due from the parish in former years, $45; first installment towards paying for a parsonage lately purchased for $1000, $200—Total, $526.63.

It has been said of Mansfield, that, owing to its extensive wheat trade, especially before the C. C. & Sandusky Railroads came into operation, merchants and others flocked into it to make money hastily and then settle in some more agreeable location. Whether from this cause, or that the people have a more than ordinary share of the Western migrating propensity, certain it is, that the church here has suffered to an extent most discouraging to the ministry. Could this parish have retained the families gathered into it the past five years, nearly every pew would now be full. No less than eight families have left since spring, and one important family is about to go, including in all 4 communicants and 2 candidates for confirmation.

Since spring, however, four respectable families have been added to us, chiefly members of other churches, who have not yet communed with us. Of the 14 teachers in our Sunday School, as last reported, only 4 remain, though 8 have since been added.

Such constant changes are not only discouraging, but especially so as they conflict with that steady progression in the usages of our church which is so necessary to form and fix the habits of strangers that come among us.

With only 25 communicants, and of them only 5 males, the liberality of the parish the past year, as per statistics, is a most encouraging feature. There is yet about $100 unpaid, besides the $200 per annum installment on the parsonage, but I trust that during the ensuing year means will be forthcoming to pay it off.

Excepting a single Sabbath, when I supplied the missionary station at Paris, the church has been opened every Sunday through the year. I superintend the Sunday School from 9 to 10½ a. m., read service and preach in the morning and afternoon, and at 6 p. m. have a bible class, which is fully attended by the young gentlemen and ladies of the parish. I have also a lecture on Wednesday evening, the first Wednesday of the month being on missions, illustrated by a set of fine maps.

Although I can report no cases of conversion, yet there is a large degree of harmony and Christian love prevailing among us, and many pleasing indications of a work of grace among the young. The very visible improvements in the growth and prosperity of the town strongly encourage the hope that much as we have suffered from the loss of families and communicants, yet, if spared to continue our labors, we may reasonably hope for continual accessions to our Zion.

HENRY BLACKALLER, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Baptisms—infant, 12. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 61; increased, by transfer, 3; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 5; present number, 57. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, $21; Diocesan Missions and Education, $65.05—Total, $86.05.

Numerically we are weaker than at the last report, but in point of union, interest and activity, we are much stronger. Bro. Strong, agent for Diocesan Missions, remained with me one Sabbath, and preached for my people—the second instance of my pulpit being filled for me since I have been here, a period of three years. Thus completely are we isolated from all the sister parishes; thus seldom does the countenance of a brother minister cheer me. JOHN BOYD, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Marion.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 1. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 25; increased, by transfer, 2; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 22. Sunday School—children, 49; teachers, 7; catechised, 6 times.

Bishop's salary, $4; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $4; Sunday School, $15—Total, $25.

GEO. B. STURGES, *Rector.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 1. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 6. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 70; increased, by admission, 5; by transfer, 2; error in last year's report, 3; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 11; by discipline, 2; present number, 66. I Kent Jarvis, Esq., Senior Warden of the parish, who is the superintendent of the Sunday Schools, and to whose zeal and earnest efforts this department of religious instruction is greatly indebted, reports, as attached to the schools, 1 superintendent, 1 assistant, 1 librarian, 9 male teachers, 11 female, 71 male scholars, 88 female, and 16 scholars in a class of colored children and adults—making in all, 198. No. of vols. in library, 634. The schools continue to support two children in Africa, contributing annually to that object, $40.

Bishop's salary, $45; proportion on deficit, $15; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, by S. S. $40; Diocesan Missions, $92; Sunday School, $52; box of clothing for a missionary's family, valued at $65—Total, $319.

I am happy in being permitted, through the liberality of a few friends, to say, that the residence near the church edifice has been presented to the vestry for the home of the minister. And I hope, by the blessing of God, to be able by another year to report that all that is now wanting to complete our church edifice in the exterior has been liberally supplied. I wish I could say that our spiritual growth was greater—that we were richer towards God. The world and the deceitfulness of its influences too much affect us. And in common with the whole body, we, as a part, suffer greatly by reason of the reproach under which the church groans. May God arise and help us in pity cleanse and defend us and succor us, for Christ's sake. Amen.

EDWARD H. CUMMING, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.

Baptisms—infant, 8. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 33; increased, by transfer, 4; diminished, by removal, 8; present number, 24. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 4; catechised monthly.

Bishop's salary, $13; Contingent fund and arrears, $4; Foreign Missions, $8; Domestic Missions, $6.50; Diocesan Missions, $7; American Tract Soc. $7.50; Bethel Soc. $3; Bible Soc. $5.25; Communion Alms, $8.68—Total $62.93.

Of the $13 contributed towards the Bishop's salary, $5 was the amount of assessment. The additional $8 was raised for the purpose of paying off the arrearages due from the Diocese to the Bishop.

On taking charge of this parish in September last, I found it not only very weak, but also depressed on account of the heavy burden of debt lying on the church and amounting to upwards of $2,000. Things gradually became darker—several of our ablest and best members re-

moved from the parish—and to close all, one of the creditors of the church obtained a decree authorizing him to sell.

In this extremity it was determined to make one last endeavor to free ourselves from debt, and a subscription was opened, the conditions of which were, that the money should be called for, provided sufficient could be raised to clear the church entirely of debt within six months, and not otherwise. We have now about $500 thus raised, partly at home and partly through the liberality of other churches. But unless we can obtain still further assistance, it is to be feared the church will be sold, and in our present weakened state, consequent upon so many removals, we may then become a defunct parish.

During my residence here, there has been a very regular and attentive congregation, and in addition to two regular services in the parish, divine service has been celebrated and preaching continued for about four months at Perrysburg, to a congregation varying from 30 to 120. During the warm weather, however, I have been obliged to discontinue this service.

I have also twice visited Defiance, a thriving village 40 miles west of this on the Erie & Wabash canal, where the services of the church and a sermon have been attentively listened to three times each Sunday by very good congregations. In this place (Defiance) there are already 8 communicants. Lay reading is regularly kept up by Col. Greene. There is a strong desire for regular services, and to the utmost of their ability they would help to support a missionary, who, if he could divide his time between Defiance and Napoleon, a village 18 miles distant, where also lay reading is regularly carried on, a church might be established in both places, which, growing with their growth, might ere long become self-supporting parishes.

In closing my report, I would say that the utmost kindness has been manifested towards the minister and his family, and though his salary has been very small, yet individual members, according to their ability, yea, and sometimes beyond their ability, have ministered both to his necessities and his comforts. May the Lord abundantly reward them!

MARK RICHARD JUKES, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Marriages, 10. Burials, 12. Communicants—last reported, 164; increased, by admission, 2; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 3; present number, 160. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, $35; Contingent fund, $5; Domestic Missions, $10; Diocesan Missions, $25; Sunday School, $10; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $10; Parish purposes, $23—Total, $118. Salary, $450.

G. S. DAVIS, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

[No report.]

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

Communicants—present number, 34.

Bishop's salary, $5; Contingent fund, $3; Diocesan Missions, $10.-58—Total, $18.58. A. BLAKE, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Communicants—last reported, 135; increased, by admission, 3; by transfer, 11; diminished, by death, 2; by removal and dismission, 18; by discipline 1; present number, 127. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 5.

Bishop's salary, $60; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions—(collection, $16, subscription, $55.75,) $71.75; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $9.18; Bible Society—(in 1852, but omitted in report, $26; in 1853, $11.31,) $37.31; Seaman's Friend Society, $14—Total, $194.24. J. MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Communicants—increased, by transfer, 7; diminished by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 52. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 10; catechised, 12 times.

Diocesan Missions, $13; Sunday School, $10—Total, $23.

A comfortable parsonage is now being erected, and will, in all probability, be completed before winter. It will cost, including the price of the lot, upwards of $2,000. The payment of nearly all of this has been provided for by the voluntary contributions of the congregation. The efforts made to raise means to build the parsonage have made the contributions of the congregation to other benevolent objects much smaller than they otherwise would have been. Some $20 have been contributed to different charitable objects, besides what I have mentioned above. F. B. NASH, *Rector.*

St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 2. Candidates for confirmation, 2. Communicants—added, by admission, 2; lost, by removal, 8; suspension, 1; present number, 7.

Episcopate, $10; Contingent fund, $5; Domestic Missions, $11.25; Communion Alms, $6.50—Total, $32.75.

GEO. W. DuBOIS, *late Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 9. Communicants—increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; diminished, by death 2; by removal, 10; present number, 52.

Bishop's salary, $35; Contingent fund, $6; Foreign Missions, $14; Diocesan Missions, $52.76; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $3; American Bible Soc. $46.41; enlargement and improvement of church edifice, about $1,400; sundries, $29.60—Total, $1,586.77.

EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Ohio City.

Baptisms—infant, 18; adult, 2. Marriages, 16. Burials, 16. Communicants—last reported, 108; increased, by admission, 9; by transfer, 8; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 8; by discipline, 3; present number, 112. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; catechised, 9 times.

Bishop's salary, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Foreign Missions, (communion offerings,) $7.62; Domestic Missions, (ditto,) $7.89; Diocesan Missions, (ditto,) $43.25; Widows' and Orphans' Society, (ditto,) $11.37; distribution of the Scriptures in Ohio City, (ditto,) $21; church repairs, $445; whole amount of communion offerings including the above appropriations, $103.84.

The parish, during the six years of the rector's incumbency, has been blessed with general harmony, peace and good feeling; and has been likewise steadily progressive. The number of communicants has been doubled; the congregation has greatly increased; all or nearly all the slips are rented. A number are now awaiting the visitation of the Bishop for confirmation. The Sunday School, though confessedly small, has been gathered and made what it is during that period. Three years ago the church underwent thorough repairs without. This year it has been thoroughly and tastefully repaired in the interior, so that now it will compare favorably with any church in the Diocese. An eligible lot has been donated for a parsonage, by an estimable and liberal matron of the parish; and the rector anticipates that, in the course of a year, by the enterprize, activity and energy of the ladies of the parish, seconded and aided by the gentlemen, a parsonage will be completed, which is a great desideratum and is imperiously demanded, owing to the great increase of rents in this city within the last year.

In view of the very great increase of our population within two or three years past, it might be thought the parish should have increased more and done more than it has. But it should be stated, that with the increase of population, the parish has had comparatively few accessions from abroad of Episcopal families or communicants; and while the members in general are but in moderate circumstances, the accessions which have been made to the parish from abroad have not been of the wealthy.

The above facts are not stated in the spirit of boasting, but of thankfulness, and to cheer the friends of our Zion. We feel deeply conscious that more faith and zeal and ability might have accomplished more, and that we greatly need the effusions of the Holy Spirit to "enlighten our minds more and more with the light of the everlasting Gospel, and to increase in us true religion;" yet will we raise our "Ebenezer" and say, "hitherto the Lord hath helped us;" and confident of his aid and blessing in the future, we will "thank God and take courage."

LEWIS BURTON, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Penfield.
[No report.]

Bethel Church, Peninsula.
[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.
[No report.]

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—last reported, 72; increased, by transfer, 3; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 9; by discipline, 1; present number, 63. Sunday School—children, 56; teachers, 14; catechised, 4 times.

Bishop's salary, $70; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, $25; Domestic Missions, $25; Diocesan Missions, $25; Sunday School, $13.12; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $23.60; Colonization Soc. $2.50; Bible Soc. $71.37; Western Seaman's Friend Soc. $8; Alms, tracts, prayer books, &c. $42.50; purchase of lot and parsonage, $1,100; ladies soc., not included, $25—Total, $1,440.10.

That this report may not give a wrong impression of the numerical strength of the parish, it may be proper to state that of the 63 communicants here reported, only 52 reside within the county; and of the other 11, 2 have a seat in the church, 4 can attend but seldom, and 5 are too far removed, but retain their connexion because there is no parish north of this for 144 miles.

Whilst the hand of Providence has removed many of our number, the liberality of those who are spared has not been diminished. Would that others like minded might give themselves to the Lord.

The vestry, ever mindful of the welfare of the parish, and aided by others of the congregation, have purchased a lot and parsonage, in addition to the lot secured last year; the ladies' society contributing $150 of the necessary sum. If God would bless the labors of the rector of this parish as he does of the laity, it would be in all respects prosperous.

C. W. FITCH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

Baptisms—infant, 37; adult, 10. Confirmations, 19. Marriages, 5. Burials, 16. Communicants—last reported, 43; increased, by admission, 16; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 10; present number, 46. Sunday School—children, 80; teachers, 15; catechised weekly.

Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $50; Sunday School, $8; Widows' and Orphans' Society, $4.59; other objects, $35—Total, $109.59.

The rector, with much gratitude to God, in the fullness of his heart would acknowledge His mercy towards himself and those under his supervision. During the past year he has been blessed in his labors of love. Our parish is silently and steadily progressing. His stated

services morning and night in the parish have been duly attended to, and with them a third service every Sunday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, alternately at Flat Woods and West Columbia, Va., each station about 6 miles from Pomeroy. He has also organized and visited 14 Sabbath Schools in three different counties.

He would take this opportunity of deprecating the inattention to convocational services in his immediate district; also, the selfishness of clergymen of large parishes, in not exchanging or visiting him. He offers it as his humble opinion, that if our beloved church is to extend her fold, it is by being known, and this knowledge cannot be better effected than by united effort and zeal.

THOS. B. DOOLEY, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 3. Confirmations, 14. Marriages, 13. Burials, 17. Communicants—last reported, 152; increased, by admission, 11; by transfer, 3; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 9; present number, 154. Sunday School—children, 105; teachers, 22; catechised, 30 times.

Bishop's salary, $75; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, $20; Domestic Missions, $20; Diocesan Missions, $175; Sunday School, $35; Tracts, $13.78; American Bible Soc. $47; Monument to Bishop Chase, $35—Total, $430.78. ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Rome.

During the last Conventional year, the rector has been unable, from want of health and the unsettled state of his affairs, to make his parishioners here but two visits, giving them four services, four sermons, and the Holy Commmnion once, and visiting all their families, some once and some twice. The Assistant Minister, however, the Rev. A. Bingham, at the rector's desire, has made them several visits, performed eight services, and preached eight sermons for them. An effort is to be made which it is hoped will effect the finishing of their church the ensuing year, God willing. It is hoped also that, by Divine permission, they may have more of the care of their rector the ensuing year than the past. They send the treasurer of the Convention $2, to meet their last assessment on the Episcopate and Contingent funds. In regard to the number of members, there has been no diminution, but an increase of one, the past year, it is believed. Baptized persons, 23. Communicants, 13. JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

[No report.]

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Baptisms—infant, 22; adult, 2. Marriages, 6. Burials, 24. Communicants—last reported, 82; increased, by admission, 2; by transfer, 8; diminished, by death, 3; by removal, 7; present number, 82. Sunday School—children, 90; teachers, 12; catechised, 4 times.

Bishop's salary, $65; Contingent fund, $10; for N. O. sufferers, $120; mission chapel in western part of city, $700; charities, $46 —Total, $941.

Church edifice much improved and enlarged.

S. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 15; adult, 5. Confirmations, 7. Burials, 6. Communicants—last reported, 53; increased, by admission, 9; by transfer, 17; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 5; present number, 73. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8. Rev. C. F. Lewis has kindly taken charge of the Sunday School during the past year.

Bishop's salary, (including arrears,) $35; Contingent fund, (ditto,) $4; Foreign Missions, $12; Diocesan Missions, $34; Bible Soc. $11; Colonization Soc. $5; by ladies society, for objects connected with the church, but not strictly charitable, $66—Total, $167.

The prospects of this parish are quite encouraging.

CHANDLER ROBBINS, *Rector.*

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Communicants—last reported, 21; present number, (supposed,) 15.

My first visit to this parish was in December last. It had long been without services. The congregations have been usually good. The church has a few true friends here yet, who have shown their love by doing what they could to rebuild that which had fallen to decay. A new roof has been put upon the church edifice, the ceiling repaired and whitewashed, the pulpit lowered, and the inside work painted. This has made the house of prayer, which before could not be used at all, comfortable and appropriate, where they can worship God decently and in order. Having done thus much, I have felt unwilling to make any collections. The Bishop White Prayer Book Society has kindly made them a donation of fifty prayer books. If they could have services more frequently than I have hitherto been able to give them, they feel assured, by God's help, they should again arise.

H. HOLLIS, *Missionary.*

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—infant, 30; adult, 1. Marriages, 5. Burials, 19. Communicants—last reported, 147; increased, by admission, 5; by transfer, 9; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 7; by discipline, 2; present number, 150. Sunday School—children, 115; teachers, 13; catechised by the rector generally every Sunday.

Bishop's salary, $65; Contingent fund, $10; Foreign Missions, $25; Domestic Missions, (Illinois,) $23.25; Diocesan Missions, $117; Sunday School, $12.50—Total, $252.75.

By the industry and exertions of the ladies belonging to the congregation, a new and sweet-toned organ has been procured of Messrs. Hall & Labagh, N. Y., at a cost of about $1,000. Arrearages of the rector's

salary, amounting to $300, liquidated by the vestry, and a legacy of $200 applied to the erection of a new gallery for the choir. An accession to the number of communicants is anticipated at the next biennial Episcopal visitation, now near at hand. INT. MORSE, *Rector*.

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

[No report.]

Trinity Church, Toledo.

Baptisms—infant, 13. Marriages, 8. Burials, 6. Communicants—last reported, 68; increased, by transfer, 21; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 5; present number, 82. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 9; catechised by the rector usually once a month.

Bishop's salary, $25; Contingent fund, $5; Foreign Missions, $8.50; Domestic Missions, $8.50; Diocesan Missions, $18.20; Sunday School, $22; repairs of church, organ, &c. $175; New Orleans sufferers, $50; poor alms, $63.40—Total, $375.60.

HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, *Rector*.

Trinity Church, Troy.

Baptisms—adult, 2. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 12; increased, by admission, 5; present number, 29. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 12.

Bishop's salary, $6; Contingent fund, $4; Sunday School, $9; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $3.60; for repairs on church, $300; by the ladies, for repairing organ and furniture, $53; extinction of church debt, $1400—Total, $1,757.60.

I have had the temporary charge of this parish since Christmas last, preaching once a fortnight. By the gift of Dr. Coleman, the church is now free from debt, and by others, the building, which had gone to decay, has been put in full repair and the parish needs now only to have the fire kindled in the inner sanctuary of the heart to go on rejoicing in full prosperity. This congregation has been without a pastor for some years, and is now, notwithstanding this favorable report, only in a state of convalescence, and will require some time to regain that spiritual vigor which might be expected from this appearance of external prosperity. The Sunday School is in a flourishing state.

C. W. FITCH, *Officiating*.

S. Michael's Church, Unionville.

[No report.]

Epiphany Church, Urbana.

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 30; increased, by admission, 3; transfer, 4; diminished, by death, 2; removal, 7; by discipline, 1; present number, 27. Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 5; catechised, 12 times.

Bishop's salary, $17; Contingent fund, $2; Diocesan Missions, $9.

72; Sunday School, $3.26; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $5.72; incidental expenses of parish, $46.10—Total, $83.80.

Our removals have been more than our increase.

Through friends in Cincinnati $100 were contributed for the extinguishment of a small debt. All we need here is the addition of some more church families, to give more stability to the parish. It is still weak in resources. Much has been gained, while more remains to be done. Missionary services have been given during the year to Marysville and Kenton—one Sunday each.

The prospect of establishing a parish in the former place has been greatly diminished by the lamented death of Mr. Rodney Picket, a liberal and generous supporter of our services there.

C. B. STOUT, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakeman.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Warren.

Number of families connected with the parish, 40. Baptisms—infant, 41; adult, 3. Candidates for confirmation, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1. Communicants—last reported, 41; added, by admission, 4; by transfer, 8; lost, by removal, 1; by suspension, 1; present number, 45. Sunday School—children, 120; teachers, 14.

Episcopate and Contingent fund, $25; Domestic Missions, $43.44; Foreign Missions, $10; S. S. books, etc., $46; Christmas eve collection for the poor, $5.25; weekly offerings for current expenses, $70; for payment of balance of church debt, $250; for the painting and enclosing of the church, $150—Total, $599.69.

In addition, the rector's salary has been punctually paid.

G. W. DUBOIS, *late Rector.*

Christ Church, Windsor.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Marriages, 2. Communicants—last reported, 34; increased, by admission, 1; by transfer, 3; [diminished 7;] present number, 31.

Bishop's salary, $15; Contingent fund, $3; Foreign Missions, $2; Domestic Missions, $2; Diocesan Missions, $12.20; for current expenses, $6—Total, $40.20.

Since his ordination, the minister of St. James', Wooster, has done duty every Sunday—once at Cleveland, twice at East Liverpool, once at Euclid, Strongsville, Columbia and Greenville, and since October 21st, at Wooster. He has held two full services and a weekly lecture. The people have in general attendedwell. Rev. E. H. Cumming, of Massillon, has administered the Sacrament twice. The church will need a new roof this fall and other repairs.

J. E. PATTISON, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 3. Candidates for confirmation, 7. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—last reported, 47; increased, by admission, 7; by transfer, 3; diminished, by death, 1; by removal, 3; present number, 53. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, $10; Contingent fund, $2; Sunday School, $6.15; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. $9; organ, $145; Tracts, $1.25; American Bible Soc. $6; to aid Theological Seminary press, $5; appropriated from Communion Alms, according to rubric, $5—Total, $189.40.

Besides officiating at least once every Sunday at Worthington, the rector has preached once every other Sunday in a rural district about five miles S. W. from W., where there are several communicants of the Episcopal church, and very encouraging prospects for the formation of a parish.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The undersigned reports that his functions as rector ceased, on the 15th day of April last, by his resignation and removal to the Diocese of Illinois. He left the parish in a flourishing condition, fifteen new communicants having been added since last Convention, and four admitted by transfer from other parishes. Ten persons were awaiting an opportunity for confirmation. Two communicants have died—one a candidate for confirmation. Fourteen communicants have removed to other places. Two were entered as such on the last report by mistake. One has been expelled. And in retiring from the rectorship, I felt bound, under section 1 of the XVIth canon of Ohio, and in justice to my successor, to suspend from communion and drop from the list about seventeen, who had become careless and remiss in attendance on this sacred ordinance. This will reduce the list to 116, but make it a truer exponent of the state of the church. I have not access to the register, and can give no further details at present.

This parish is very dear to me. We have separated on the kindest terms. Nothing but a plain call of duty could have taken me from it. I rejoice in my successor and his fair prospects of great usefulness. And grateful to the Bishop, and clergy, and people, who have helped to make my residence of eighteen years among them so happy, I say from my heart, in bidding them farewell, God bless Ohio!

WM. A. SMALLWOOD, *late Rector.*

Chicago, Sept. 14, 1853.

[The following statistics are furnished by the Wardens:]

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 4. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6. Communicants—last reported, 131; increased, by admission, 15; by transfer, 2; diminished, by death, 2; by removal, 22; by discipline, 8; present number, 116. Sunday School—children, 85; teachers, 15.

Bishop's salary, $85; Contingent fund, $12; Diocesan Missions, $52.50. More or less has been contributed to other objects, but no record of the amount is found. Some $275 has been earned by the ladies, which has been used towards the completion of the basement. Subscriptions have recently been obtained, amounting to some $3,000, towards completing the church.

Rev. John Love Bryan

Reports as follows: last fall, after Convention, a Sunday was spent in the vicinity of Columbus, among a few old friends from the Diocese of Maryland. They were then building a church in union with other Christians, which has been completed and is now occupied part of the time, with acceptance, by Rev. W. C. French.

Having been providentially detained at home the past summer, he has, in the absence of the rector of St. Luke's on his agency, occupied his pulpit for 8 or 9 Sundays, preaching, in his plain and unadorned style, the saving truths of the Gospel of Christ. Although infirm and far advanced down the vale of years, he feels constrained, by the love of Christ, to preach His Gospel whenever and wherever an opportunity is given to do so.

Granville, September 12th, 1853.

Rev. Richard Gray.

Baptisms—infant, 13; adult, 1. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 19.

Immediately after the last Convention, I received the appointment of city missionary connected with Christ Church. It has been my aim, principally, to find out poor emigrants, and assist them, as far as possible, with advice, sympathy, and money, when required. I have distributed $152.45, mostly in small sums.

But many that I have visited have required sympathy more than money. They have left their former friends, and find themselves surrounded by strangers, and in a country whose customs are different from those they have left. For such I have endeavored to procure situations, either in the city or the surrounding country, according to their wishes. It has been my painful lot to witness many cases of great distress, but I trust I have been enabled frequently to wipe away the tear of sorrow, and prevail upon the sufferers to attend the house of God. I have also occasionally visited the Hospital, Jail, Orphan Asylum and Widow's Home. When I was not required to assist the Rev. D. A. Tyng in Christ Church, on the Lord's day, I have preached in Hillsboro', Highland county; Milford, Clermont county, and Hamilton, Ross county. In the former place, a subscription has been raised, amounting to nearly $300, for the services of a clergyman; and in Milford, where the congregation is mostly composed of persons from the county of Cork, subsisting by their manual labor, $100 per annum is promised for a portion of clerical services. Hamilton once possessed a church, but it has unfortunately passed out of the hands of the Episcopalians for some years. This renders it a very discouraging field of labor, but I am not without hope that, with patience and perseverance, the blessing of the Almighty will yet rest upon that portion of our Zion.

Rev. Spencer Wall

Reports to the Right Reverend Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio: That about the 20th of June, 1851, he commenced his residence near West Lodi, Seneca county, and has performed divine service and preached at

different times and places and particularly at Tiffin, the county seat, without finding much interest for the church in said county. Since the first of April, 1853, he has lived in Venice, near Sandusky City, Erie county, and up to the present date has performed divine service and preached every Sunday morning and evening to a small congregation in a brick school house. He has also organized a Sunday School of fifty scholars and upwards and superintended the same personally every Sunday morning and always with good attendance. There are four or five communicants. The burial service has been performed once.

The church here is indebted, under God, to Mr. R. H. Heywood, of Buffalo, N. Y., who is proprietor of the Venice Mills, at this place, for patronage, who seems to be impressed, as God's steward, to make a just and pious use of the talents and goods with which he is blessed, and particularly for the promotion of the cause of the Gospel. Much is due, also, to Mr. Horatio N. Fish and to Mr. Charles R. Heywood, both residents of Venice, and who are active promoters of the church and contribute liberally of their substance.

*** The following clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese the past year, have furnished no report to the Bishop:

Rev. Eli Adams, Rev. Norman Badger, Rev. James E. Battin, Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Rev. T. W. Clapp, Rev. George Denison, Rev. Wm. Granville, Rev. Charles F. Lewis, Rev. Henry Payne, Rev. Henry P. Powers, Rev. Alvah Sanford, Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D., Rev. A. Wheeler, Rev. Lloyd Windsor, Rev. M. T. C. Wing, D.D. —15.

SUMMARY
OF
PAROCHIAL REPORTS AND BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Number of parishes in union with the Convention 83
Number of parishes without a clergyman..... 25
Number of clergymen having more than one parochial charge..... 4
Baptisms—
  Infants, in 53 parishes..... 554
  Adults, in 26 parishes..... 80
Confirmations, in 13 parishes..... 123
Communicants—
  Added, new and by transfer, in 53 parishes 560
  Lost, by removals, death and discipline, in 53 parishes..... 535
  Present number, (taking latest reports,) in 82 parishes..... 4,491
Marriages, in 46 parishes..... 250
Burials, in 50 parishes..... 427
S. Schools in 47 parishes—average number teachers and pupils .3,677
Contributions reported for—
  Bishop's salary and Contingent fund, in 67 parishes $2,644.11
  Missions and Education, in 62 parishes..... 6,296.37
  Parochial objects, in 41 parishes, (many not reporting,).. 44,374.73
  Widows' and Orphans' Society in 26 parishes..... 274.56
  Other benevolent objects, in 26 parishes 2,513.87
  Amount for all objects, except ministers' salaries, 71 par., $66,686.92
Ordinations, Deacons, 6; Presbyters, 1;..... 7
Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese..... 9

From 17 parishes and 15 clergymen no reports have been received; and many of those received are too imperfect for any very accurate estimate to be formed of the condition of the Church in this Diocese, showing a lamentable want of care in the keeping of parish registers.

ABSTRACT—TABLE I.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	COUNTY.	MINISTER.	WARDENS.	WHEN ORGANIZED OR ADMITTED.
Akron,	St. Paul's,	Summit,	D. C. Maybin,	P. Bennett, George Latimer,	Precise date not ascertained.
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	Ashtabula,	*Vacant*,	J. Booth,† S. B. Wells,†	February, - - - - 1817.
Bellevue,	St Paul's,	Huron,	R. K Nash,	John Grimes, Wm. H. Ford,	September, - - - - 1851.
Berkshire,	Grace,	Delaware,	J. E. Ryan,	Joseph Prince, D. T. Sherman,	April, - - - - - 1817.
Boardman,	St. James',	Mahoning,	C. S. Doolittle,	Luther Stilson, Edward Fitch,	April, - - - - - 1817.
Canfield,	St. Stephen's,	"	C. S. Doolittle,	S. C. Lockwood, Curtis Beardsley,	September, - - - - 1847.
Centerville,	St. David's,	Gallia,	A. Edwards,	Thomas Lloyd, Benj. Lewis,	September, - - - - 1845.
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	Ross,	L. N. Freeman,	Jas. S. Swearingen, E. P. Kendrick,	April, - - - - - 1817.
Cincinnati,	Christ,	Hamilton,	D. A. Tyng,	D. K. Este, B. Storer,	- - - - - - 1817.
Cincinnati,	St. John's,	"	W. R. Nicholson,	Henry W. Derby, D. B. Pierson,	October, - - - - 1849.
Cincinnati,	St. Paul's,	"	J. W. Clark,	D. K. Cady, J. C. Ringwalt,	Not ascertained, - - -
Cincinnati,	Trinity,*	"	*Vacant*,	Wm. S. Drummond,† T. Longworth,†	September, - - - - 1843.
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	Pickaway,	R. S. Nash,	P. B. Doddridge, Wm. Medcraft,	- - - - - - 1818.
Cleveland,	Grace,	Cuyahoga,	L. Carter & G. B. Perry,	D. E. Field, E. W. Palmer,	September, - - - - 1845.
Cleveland,	St. Paul's,	"	R. B. Claxton,	Henry B. Tuttle, Aaron Clark,	September, - - - - 1817.
Cleveland,	Trinity,*	"	Lloyd Windsor,	A. Buttles,† P. Anderson,†	March, - - - - - 1817.
Columbia,	St. Luke's,	Lorain,	*Vacant*,	Orange Clark, Robert J. Bastard,	March, - - - - - 1817.
Columbus,	St. Paul's,	Franklin,	W. Norman Irish,	K. H. VanRensselaer, S. D. Harris,	December, - - - - 1842.
Columbus,	Trinity,	"	Wm. Preston,	A. H. Pinney,† Cyrus Fay,†	- - - - - - 1817.
Cross Creek,	St. James',	Jefferson,	H. Hollis,	Alex. Cunningham, A. Deter,	- - - - - - 1817.
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	Summit,	L. L. Holden,	John Hanford, George Parks,	Not ascertained, - - -
Dayton,	Christ,	Montgomery,	Jas. B. Britton,	Warren Munger, John Cohan,	- - - - - - 1819.
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	Delaware,	Jas. McElroy,	Wm. Owston, Daniel Dyke,	- - - - - - 1817.
Dresden,	Zion,	Muskingum,	A. T. McMurphey,	Benj. Adams, Geo. W. Adams,	September, - - - - 1841.
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,*	Columbiana,	*Vacant*,	D. A. Fulke,† J. Scott,†	October, - - - - - 1838.
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,*	Ashtabula,	"	W. W. Mann,† E. Harper,†	September, - - - - 1834.
East Springfield,	St. John's,	Jefferson,	H. Hollis,	Jas. Patten, Alex. McCullough,	- - - - - - 1826.
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	Lorain,	Anson Clark,	Raymond Starr, Orrin Cowles,	September, - - - - 1837.
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	Cuyahoga,	*Vacant*,	John Doane, Charles Hall,	September, - - - - 1814.
Franklin Mills,	Christ,	Portage,	A. Phelps,	Edward Parsons, Jas. Holdin,	November, - - - - 1835.
Fremont,	St. Paul's,	Sandusky,	H. T. Heister,	James Wilson, A. Coles,	September, - - - - 1842.
Gallipolis,	St. Peter's,*	Gallia,	*Vacant*,	A. Vance,† A. Cushing,†	September, - - - - 1850.
Gambier,	Harcourt,	Knox,	J. T. Brooke,	M. White,† A. G Scott,†	- - - - - - 1827.
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,	Lorain,	*Vacant*,	Geo. Van Deusen, Geo. S. Pomeroy,	- - (before) - 1827.
Granville,	St. Luke's,	Licking,	"	A. P. Prichard, G. B. Johnson,	- - - - - - 1827.
Greenville,	St. Paul's,*	Darke,	"	* - - - - - - - - -	September, - - - - 1837.
Hamilton	St. Matthew's,*	Butler,	"	* - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - 1819.

[illegible],	St. John's,	Fairfield,	D. Kisser,	* - - - - - - -	September, - - - - 1836.
[illegible],	Trinity,	Huron,	R. K. Nash,	John Clark, N. M. Wheeler,	September, - - - - 1836.
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	Muskingum,	A. T. McMurphey,	Thos. Armstrong, Robt. Armstrong,	- - (before) - - 1839.
Mansfield,	Grace,	Richland,	H. Blackaller,	E. W. Deitrich, Z. S. Stocking,	September, - - - 1847.
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	Washington,	John Boyd,	Arius Nye, John Kendrick,	- - - - - - 1826.
Marion,	St. Paul's,	Marion,	Geo. B. Sturges,	Eber Baker, S S. Bennett,	October, - - - - 1819.
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	Stark,	Edward H. Cumming,	Kent Jarvis, Thos. McCullough,	September, - - - - 1836.
Maumee City,	St. Paul's,*	Lucas,	M. R. Jukes,	Andrew Young, Francis Nichols,	October, - - - - 1838.
Medina,	St. Paul's,	Medina,	George S. Davis,	Russell Thayer, Whitman Mead,	March, - - - - - 1817.
Milan,	St. Luke's,*	Erie,	*Vacant*,	J. P. Dean,†	August, - - - - 1816.
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,	Coshocton,	A. Blake,	G. Henderson,†	- - - - - - 1822.
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	Knox,	J. Muenscher,	Eben. Alling, David Potwin,	- - - - - - 1827.
Mt. Vernon,	Christ,	"	*Vacant*,	M. A. Mitchell, G. B. White,	September, - - - - 1853.
Newark,	Trinity,	Licking,	F. B. Nash,	Israel Dille, H. S. Sprague,	- - - - - - 1826.
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,*	Trumbull,	*Vacant*,	* - - - - - - -	September, - - - - 1842.
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	Huron,	Edward Winthrop,	Platt Benedict, Obadiah Jenney,	- - (before) - 1822.
Ohio City,	St. John's,	Cuyahoga,	Lewis Burton,	David Griffith, G. L. Chapman,	September, - - - - 1836.
Painesville,	St. James',*	Lake,	*Vacant*,	D. D. Aiken,† Henry Williams,†	September, - - - - 1836.
Penfield,	Christ,*	Lorain,	"	Beri Andrews,† Lewis Jones,†	September, - - - - 1844.
Peninsula,	Bethel,*	Summit,	"	J. H. Hill, lay reader,†	October, - - - - 1838.
Perry,	St. Matthew's,*	Coshocton,	"	W. Woodward,† J. Green,†	- - - - - - 1822.
Piqua,	St. James',	Miami,	C. W. Fitch,	Truman Purdy, Wm. Scott,	January, - - - - 1824.
Pomeroy,	Grace,	Meigs,	Thos. B. Dooley,	V. B. Horton, L. R. Winkleblack,	September, - - - - 1848.
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	Scioto,	Erastus Burr,	Samuel S. Fuller, Aaron Kinney,	- - - - - - 1818.
Rome,	St Peter's,	Ashtabula,	John Hall,	* - - - - - -	Not ascertained, - - -
Roscoe,	Immanuel,*	Coshocton,	*Vacant*,	W. Humphreys,† J. Dodd,†	September, - - - - 1848.
Sandusky City,	Grace,	Erie,	S. A. Bronson,	Z. W. Barker, Ebenezer Lane,	August, - - - - - 1810.
Springfield,	Christ,	Clark,	Chandler Robbins,	Wm Coles, John Ludlow,	- - - - - - 1820.
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',	Belmont,	H. Hollis,	* - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - 1817.
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	Jefferson,	Intrepid Morse,	John H. Veirs, Andrew Bustard,	May 16, - - - - - 1819.
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,*	Cuyahoga,	*Vacant*,	E. Stone,† T. Clark,†	October, - - - - - 1838.
Toledo,	Trinity,	Lucas,	Henry B. Walbridge,	Decius Wadsworth, Lucius N. Voight,	October, - - - - 1838.
Troy,	Trinity,	Miami,	C. W. Fitch,	Asa Coleman, Asa Mayo,	Not ascertained, - - -
Unionville,	St. Michael's,*	Jefferson,	*Vacant*,	R. Warner,†	Not ascertained, but before 1825.
Urbana,	Epiphany,	Champaign,	C. B. Stout,	Wm. F. Slater, Thos. Evans,	September, - - - - 1848.
Wakeman,	St. John's,*	Huron,	*Vacant*,	Cyrenius Beecher,† Sala Todd,†	September, - - - - 1837.
Warren,	Christ,	Trumbull,	"	U. B. White,† J. L Weeks,†	September, - - - - 1837.
Windsor,	Christ,*	Ashtabula,	"	* - - - - - - -	March, - - - - - 1817.
Wooster,	St. James',	Wayne,	J. E. Pattison,	Henry Lehman, James Johnson,	September, - - - - 1811.
Worthington,	St. John's,	Franklin,	William C. French,	Charles E. Burr, Ezra Gilbert,	- - - - - - 1817.
Zanesville,	St. James',	Muskingum,	George W. DuBois,	James Crosby, E. E. Fillmore,	- - - - - - 1817.

* No report.

† As last reported

ABSTRACT—TABLE II.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	Baptisms		Confirmations.‡	Marriages.	Burials.	Communicants.				S. Schools.		Amount of Contributions.					
		Infant.	Adult.				Last report.	Added.	Lost.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Episcopate and Contingent Funds.	Missions and Education.	Parochial Purposes.	Widows' and Orphans' Society.	Other Benevolent Purposes.	Total reported, exclusive of Rector's Salaries.
Akron,	St. Paul's,	2	—	—	—	2	35	—	10	25	—	—	$25 00	——	——	——	——	$25 00
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	15	4	—	—	4	152	9	5	156	—	—	20 00	$27 43	——	——	——	47 43
Bellevue,	St. Paul's,	9	5	—	—	—	22	—	4	18	—	—	12 00	20 25	——	——	$2 00	34 25
Berkshire,	Grace,	—	—	—	—	—	24	—	—	24	7	30	10 00	3 00	——	——	——	13 00
Boardman,	St. James',	4	—	—	—	1	26	7	—	33	—	—	27 11	18 96	——	——	——	46 07
Canfield,	St. Stephen's,	—	—	—	1	2	21	4	—	25	6	25	20 50	19 05	$88 00	$4 25	——	131 80
Centerville,	St. David's,	4	—	—	4	2	82	2	5	77	10	60	7 00	8 00	——	——	50 00	65 00
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	15	—	—	9	15	113	7	17	103	10	70	92 00	238 93	385 87	15 00	117 00	818 80
Cincinnati,	Christ,	33	10	28	10	12	†158	40	9	200	20	170	314 00	2,257 55	3,081 16	78 25	1,067 71	6,799 01
Cincinnati,	St. John's,	35	—	20	21	17	121	63	16	168	30	198	141 00	534 19	38,477 62	——	——	39,152 81
Cincinnati,	St. Paul's,	38	2	12	12	13	182	39	21	200	8	40	180 00	913 44	1,040 55	30 00	98 75	2,262 74
Cincinnati,	Trinity,*	—	—	—	—	—	†30	—	—	†30	—	—	——	——	——	——	——	——
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	2	—	—	2	5	67	3	10	60	8	60	43 00	29 00	107 62	6 41	55 00	241 03
Cleveland,	Grace,	12	4	—	11	19	73	46	23	97	10	65	31 00	12 19	43 00	——	——	86 19
Cleveland,	St Paul's,	10	—	—	6	8	150	14	81	80	15	90	90 00	138 36	76 22	——	43 82	348 90
Cleveland,	Trinity,*	—	—	—	—	—	†160	—	—	†160	—	—	102 00	44 50	——	——	——	146 50
Columbia,	St. Luke's,	2	—	—	—	1	34	—	1	33	—	—	5 00	11 19	——	——	——	16 19
Columbus,	St. Paul's,	22	3	—	1	8	58	21	12	65	8	50	——	22 25	127 00	——	——	149 25
Columbus,	Trinity,	7	1	—	11	15	108	16	14	107	†20	†100	151 00	41 00	——	——	343 00	538 00
Cross Creek,	St. James',	2	—	—	3	1	52	1	2	51	—	—	21 00	5 00	11 00	4 00	——	41 00
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	1	—	1	4	6	52	2	3	51	8	30	30 00	75 16	159 16	6 00	——	284 13
Dayton,	Christ,	14	4	10	4	5	112	15	18	109	13	75	83 00	30 00	390 40	12 38	17 00	532 78
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	2	—	—	8	8	85	6	5	86	16	114	60 00	145 70	3,094 66	6 00	83 00	3,389 36
Dresden,	Zion,	2	—	—	2	8	28	5	3	30	18	100	12 00	93 75	——	2 00	38 00	145 75
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†25	—	—	†25	†20	†150	——	2 00	——	——	——	2 00
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†38	—	—	†38	—	—	——	——	——	——	——	——
East Springfield,	St. John's,	4	—	—	1	—	25	2	—	27	—	—	6 00	2 36	——	2 21	——	10 57
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	3	2	—	3	10	22	7	3	26	5	25	10 00	10 00	5 38	9 00	20 00	54 38
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	1	2	—	—	—	19	3	6	15	—	—	5 00	——	——	——	——	5 00
Franklin Mills,	Christ,	1	—	5	9	25	37	2	9	30	—	—	7 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	3 50	29 50
Fremont,	St. Paul's,	3	—	—	6	—	14	2	1	15	8	50	6 00	——	56 92	——	——	62 92
Gallipolis,	St. Peter's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†3	—	—	†3	—	—	——	——	——	——	——	——
Gambier,	Harcourt,	1	—	—	—	3	70	2	4	68	—	—	56 00	164 25	18 60	——	55 00	293 81
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,	—	—	—	—	—	17	—	1	16	—	—	14 25	3 50	——	——	——	17 75
Granville,	St. Luke's,	4	—	—	—	2	62	3	—	65	6	33	24 00	29 85	——	——	10 00	63 85
Greenville,	St. Paul's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†16	—	—	†16	—	—	——	——	——	——	——	——
Hamilton,	St. Matthew's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†7	—	—	†7	—	—	——	——	——	——	——	——

[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	9	4	15	58	9	9	58	7	30	26 00		19 00		166 00		4 00			154 00
Huron,	Christ,	4	—	—	4	19	20	—	1	19	7	50	13 00		5 00							18 00
Jefferson,	Trinity,*	—	—	—	—	—	†15	—	—	†15	—	—										
Kingston,	St. James',	—	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	16	—	—	5 00									5 00
Lancaster,	St. John's,	1	—	—	—	4	†21	—	8	13	6	35	10 00		10 00		10 00					30 00
Lyme,	Trinity,	—	—	—	3	—	23	3	—	26	—	—	10 25		20 79						7 75	44 79
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	3	—	—	—	—	25	3	—	27	6	20	11 00		18 25				2 00			31 25
Mansfield,	Grace,	9	—	—	7	5	29	4	—	25	12	64	34 00		25 00		462 63		5 00			526 63
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	12	—	—	4	7	61	3	7	57	6	30	21 00		65 05							86 05
Marion,	St. Paul's,	2	1	—	2	7	25	2	5	22	7	49	6 00		4 00		15 00					25 00
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	16	1	1	6	7	73	7	14	66	23	175	70 00		197 00		52 00					319 00
Maumee City,	St. Paul's,	8	—	—	1	2	37	4	8	24	4	25	17 00		26 50		8 68				15 75	67 93
Medina,	St. Paul's,	7	—	—	10	12	164	2	6	160	6	60	45 00		38 00		33 00		10 00			121 00
Milan,	St. Luke's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†18	—	—	†18	—	—			10 76							10 76
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,	—	—	—	—	—	34	—	—	34	—	—	13 00		10 58							23 58
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	5	2	—	2	7	135	14	21	127	5	50	62 00		71 75				9 18		51 31	194 24
Newark,	Trinity,	—	—	—	2	4	56	7	3	52	10	50			13 00		10 00		5 00		20 00	48 00
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,	1	2	—	—	—	14	2	9	7	—	—	15 00		11 25		6 50					32 75
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	4	—	3	1	9	63	2	12	52	—	—	41 00		66 76		1,429 60		3 00		46 41	1,586 77
Ohio City,	St. John's,	18	2	—	16	16	108	17	13	112	8	50	30 00		58 76		457 91		11 37		21 00	579 04
Painesville,	St. James',*	—	—	—	—	—	†68	—	—	†68	†5	†25	43 00		11 85							54 85
Penfield.	Christ,*	—	—	—	—	—	†11	—	1	10	—	—	3 00		8 00							11 00
Peninsula,	Bethel,*	—	—	—	—	—	†14	—	—	†14	—	—										
Perry,	St. Matthew's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†43	—	—	†43	—	—	6 00									6 00
Piqua,	St. James',	7	—	—	5	4	72	3	12	63	14	56	80 00		75 00		1,180 62		23 60		81 87	1,440 10
Pomeroy,	Grace,	37	10	19	5	16	43	16	13	46	15	80	12 00		50 00		43 00		4 50			109 50
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	16	3	14	13	17	152	14	12	154	22	105	85 00		215 00		48 78				82 00	430 78
Rome,	St. Peter's,	—	—	—	—	—	12	1	—	13	—	—	2 00									2 00
Roscoe,	Immanuel,*	—	—	—	—	—	†16	—	—	†16	—	—										
Sandusky City,	Grace,	22	2	—	6	24	82	10	10	82	12	90	75 00		700 00		46 00				120 00	941 00
Springfield,	Christ,	15	5	7	—	6	53	26	6	73	8	50	39 00		46 00		66 00				16 00	167 00
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',	4	—	—	—	—	21	—	6	15	—	—										
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	30	1	—	5	19	147	14	11	150	13	115	75 00		165 25		212 50					452 75
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†20	—	—	†20	—	—	3 00									3 00
Toledo,	Trinity,	13	—	—	8	6	68	21	7	82	9	60	30 00		35 20		260 40				50 00	375 60
Troy,	Trinity,	—	2	3	1	1	12	5	—	29	12	60	10 00				1,744 00		3 60			1,757 60
Unionville,	St. Michael's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†20	—	—	†20	—	—										
Urbana,	Epiphany,	5	1	—	1	2	30	7	10	27	5	25	19 00		9 72		49 96		5 72			83 80
Wakeman,	St. John's,*	—	—	—	—	—	†21	—	—	†21	—	—										
Warren,	Christ,	41	3	—	3	1	41	12	2	48	14	120	25 00		53 44		321 25					399 69
Windsor,	Christ,*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—										
Wooster,	St. James'	1	—	—	2	—	34	4	7	31	—	—	18 00		16 20		6 00					40 20
Worthington,	St. John's,	4	3	—	1	2	47	10	4	53	6	30	12 00				157 40		9 00			169 40
Zanesville,	St. James',	8	4	—	5	6	131	17	32	116	15	85	97 00		52 50		275 00					424 50
Miscellaneous,	- - - -	13	1	—	5	20	—	—	—	20	—	50										
Totals,	- - - - -	554	80	125	250	427	4525	560	535	4491	503	3174	$2,641 11		$6,226 37		$11,374 73		$274 56		$2,513 87	$23,030 64

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DIOCESE OF OHIO,

To RT. REV. C. P. McILVAINE, DR.

For salary as Bishop during current year		$2000 00	
" balance due at close of last year..	$624 02		
" interest on same.....	37 44		
		661 46	
" postages and traveling expenses		16 99	
			$2678 45

CONTRA, CR.

By cash as follows, viz:			
" amount paid by Parishes during current year for support of Episcopate		$2121 61	
" amount received to pay arrears, as per account below		129 25	
" balance.....		427 59	
			$2678 45

ARREARS OF EPISCOPATE,

To CASH, DR.

For sundry amounts received from the following Parishes:		
From St. Andrew's, Elyria	$5 00	
" St. James', Piqua.....	10 00	
" St. Mark's, Mill Creek	5 00	
" St. Timothy's, Massillon	15 00	
" Harcourt, Gambier.....	10 00	
" St. John's, Cincinnati	31 00	
" Epiphany, Urbana.....	7 00	
" St. James', Painesville.....	13 00	
" Zion, Dresden.....	9 00	
" St. Matthew's, Madison.....	1 00	
" St. Paul's, Maumee City	8 00	
" Christ, Cincinnati	14 00	
" Trinity, Lyme	1 25	
		$129 25

CONTRA, CR.

By amount transferred to credit of Episcopate.....	$129 25

CONTINGENT EXPENSES,

To SUNDRIES, DR.

For printing circulars for Treasurer		$6 25	
" telegraphic despatches		1 00	
" post office stamps		6 27	
" printing circulars for committee at Portsmouth		3 00	
" blank books and paper		2 15	
" Bishop's expenses, (postages, &c.)		16 99	
" traveling expenses, per Treasurer		11 00	
" printing Journal of last Convention	$161 27		
" binding 5 vols. Episcopal documents	3 75		
" " 3 vols. " "	2 25		
" printing circulars for Secretary	5 00		
		172 27	
" postages of Secretary		25 00	
" discount on foreign checks		2 43	
" broken bank note		1 00	
" balance cash on hand		190 82	
			$438 18

CONTRA, CR.

By cash during current year	$363 25	
" balance on hand last year	74 93	
		$438 18

WM. WOOD,
Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.

The following account shows the amounts paid by all the Parishes during the year, as well as the arrearages on both funds still remaining unpaid:

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Akron, St. Paul's	$25 00	$32 00		$27 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	10 00	70 00	$10 00	29 00
Bellevue, St. Paul's	10 00		2 00	
Berkshire, Grace	8 00		2 00	
Boardman, St. James'	25 11	33 14	2 00	9 00
Canfield, St. Stephen's	18 50	5 00	2 00	2 00
Centreville, St. David's	6 00	4 00	1 00	
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	80 00		12 00	
Cincinnati, Christ	250 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. John's	100 00		10 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	150 00		30 00	
Cincinnati, Trinity		20 00		5 00
Circleville, St. Philip's	35 00		8 00	
Cleveland, Grace	20 00	50 00	11 00	
Cleveland, St. Paul's	80 00		10 00	
Cleveland, Trinity	90 00		12 00	
Columbia, St. Luke's	4 00		1 00	
Columbus, St. Paul's		64 50		24 00
Columbus, Trinity	138 00	85 00	16 00	56 00
Cross Creek, St. James'	14 00	19 00	7 00	
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25 00		5 00	
Dayton, Christ	75 00		8 00	
Delaware, St. Peter's	50 00		10 00	
Dresden, Zion	10 00		2 00	
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's		4 85		2 00
E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's		8 00		2 00
E. Springfield, St. John's		16 00		2 00
Euclid, St. Paul's	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's	3 00		2 00	
Franklin, Christ	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 00
Fremont, St. Paul's	5 00		1 00	
Gallipolis, St. Peter's		3 00		1 00
Gambier, Harcourt	40 00		6 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's	12 00	11 00	2 25	9 75
Granville, St. Luke's	20 00		4 00	
Greenville, St. Paul's		8 00		4 00
Hamilton, St. Matthew's		10 00		6 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Hudson, Christ	20 00		5 00	
Huron, Christ	11 00	17 00	2 00	7 00
Jefferson, Trinity		5 00		1 00
Kingston, St. James'	4 00		1 00	
Lancaster, St. John's	8 00		2 00	
Lyme, Trinity	8 00		1 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's	8 00		2 00	

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT—*Continued.*

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Mansfield, Grace.....	$30 00	$5 00	$4 00	$8 00
Marietta, St. Luke's.....		47 00		20 00
Marion, St. Paul's.....	4 00		2 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's...	45 00		10 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's..	5 00		4 00	
Medina, St. Paul's.....	35 00		5 00	
Milan, St. Luke's.....		20 00		9 00
Mill Creek, St. Mark's....		*5 00		*3 00
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's....	60 00	29 00	2 00	8 00
Newark, Trinity.....		109 00		30 00
Newton Falls, St. Mark's..	10 00		5 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's.....	35 00		6 00	
Ohio City, St. John's.....	25 00		5 00	
Painesville, St. James'....	25 00		5 00	
Penfield, Christ.....	2 00		1 00	
Peninsula, Bethel.....		18 00		4 00
Perry, St. Matthew's.....	4 00		2 00	
Piqua, St. James'.....	60 00		10 00	
Pomeroy, Grace	10 00		2 00	
Portsmouth, All Saints'...	75 00		10 00	
Rome, St. Peter's.....	1 00		1 00	
Roscoe, Immanuel.....		16 00		
Sandusky City, Grace.....	65 00		10 00	
Springfield, Christ.....	20 00		2 00	
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'		15 00		3 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's...	65 00		10 00	
Strongsville, St. Philip's ..	3 00	3 00		1 00
Toledo, Trinity.....	25 00		5 00	
Troy, Trinity	6 00	4 00		
Unionville, St. Michael's ..		4 00		2 00
Urbana, Epiphany.....	10 00		2 00	
Wakeman, St. John's.....		4 00		1 00
Warren, Christ.....	20 00	5 00		5 00
Wooster, St. James'.....	15 00	15 00	3 00	3 00
Worthington, St. John's...	10 00		2 00	
Zanesville, St. James'	85 00		12 00	
Total.....	$2121 61	$836 49	$363 25	$259 75

* Since paid.

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

THIS Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VII

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IVth Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

CANONS.

CANON I.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

SECT. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the

General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SECT. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

OF DEFUNCT PARISHES.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

CANON V.

OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

CANON VI.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister; specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 2. In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

SECT. 3. Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such *form as shall be furnished* by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VIII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON IX.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON X.

OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XIth Canon of the General Convention.

CANON XI.

OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XII.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XIII.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIV.

OF MISSIONS AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XV.

OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XVI.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVII.

OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

tingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVIII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES
IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention:]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechised by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes: Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday School—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be incorporated—Therefore,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

SEC. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

SEC. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
ALLEN TRIMBLE,
Speaker of the Senate.

DECEMBER 29, 1824.

An Act, further suplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Semi-

nary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

SEC. 2. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

SEC. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning; and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WILLIAM HAWKINS,
Speaker of the Senate.

MARCH 16, 1839.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823 and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations, and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: Provided, that all such rules, regulations, or other proceedings, shall forever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episco

pal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall, by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops, aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided, that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination; provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Mathews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby *made capable of receiving*, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage: Provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; Provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821.

RESOLUTIONS OF A PERMANENT NATURE.

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that all sports arising from severe, and cruel exercises, imposed upon animals of the brute creation, besides their evil tendency, in a moral point of view, are inconsistent with the humane precepts and doctrines of Christianity; and ought not to be, in any manner, countenanced by the members of a Christian Church. And, as theatrical amusements, besides that they are frequently coarse, and indelicate, tend rather to excite the feelings, and inflame the imagination, than to enlighten the mind, in matters of vital concern, or to correct the evil passions of the heart; they cannot, therefore, supply anything proper for Christian improvement, and ought not to be frequented, especially by communicants.—*Passed June*, 1821.

Whereas, The practice of mixing in the fashionable amusements of the world, is inconsistent with the principles of Christianity, and has a direct tendency to check the progress of vital religion: Therefore,

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that it be earnestly recommended to the members of the Church, to abstain from frequenting BALLS, and other places of vain amusement; and that they likewise use their influence with their families and dependents, to induce them to abandon such practices.—*Passed June*, 1825.

Resolved, As the opinion of this Convention, and they strongly recommend it to all the members of their communion throughout the Diocese, not only that daily family prayer should be established in each family, but also that as a means of keeping alive and increasing a spirit of piety in the hearts of our members, measures be taken wheresoever practicable, to assemble themselves together for the purpose of religious worship, at least one evening in every week.—*Passed September*, 1831.

Resolved, That whereas the worship of Almighty God in daily prayer, together with the reading of the Scriptures, has always been considered the duty of a Christian; this Convention do therefore earnestly and affectionately recommend that every family in the Church of which they are the representatives, observe and practice this pious custom.—*Passed September*, 1834.

Resolved, That this Convention consider it the duty of every Parish to be represented in this Convention, and that the expenses of the Clergy should be paid by the Parishes respectively.—*Passed November*, 1835.

Resolved, 1. That this Convention anew express their hearty recognition of the great principles on which the Missionary organization of our Church is based, viz: that under God the conversion of the world is the legitimate and proper duty of the Church, and that every member of the same is bound by his connexion with it to aid in this holy enterprise to the utmost of his ability.

Resolved, 2. That the success with which it has pleased God to crown the labors of the Board of Missions, its Committees and Secretaries, is an abundant cause of thanksgiving on the part of the Church, and offers the highest encouragement to renewed zeal, diligence, effort and prayer in the exalted work of sending the Gospel into all lands.

Resolved, 3. That as a body and as individuals we pledge ourselves to sustain, as far as God shall give us the ability, the efforts which the Board of Missions

are making in the discharge of the weighty trust confided to them; and that we most earnestly commend the cause to the efforts and contributions, and above all to the prayers of the Churches in our Diocese.

Resolved, 4. That it be recommended to the clergy and laity as a most important matter, to promote the circulation of the publication entitled the "Spirit of Missions," in their respective parishes, since the diffusion of missionary intelligence is absolutely necessary to awaken and cherish the proper feelings of interest in the missionary work.

Resolved, 5. That it be recommended to the clergy of the several parishes to adopt as soon as practicable, *systematic measures* for obtaining contributions in aid of the funds of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society.—*Passed Sept*, 1836.

Resolved, 1. That the common excuses, such as want of time, the article of expense, the anxiety to reach home, &c., which are usually urged to justify Sunday traveling, are almost always invalid, and such as most men would blush to urge in justification of violating any other command of the moral law.

Resolved, 2. That the Clergy and Laity of this Church use their special efforts to promote, the former by preaching, and both, by example and influence and conversation, the more conscientious observance of the 41st Canon of the General Convention, which reads thus: "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

Resolved, 3. That it be recommended to the clergy to bring the subject before the minds of the people on the twentieth Sunday after Trinity.—*Passed September*, 1836.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report quarterly through the diocesan paper, the amount of money received by him for the Episcopate fund, and from whence received.—*Passed Sept.* 1811.

Resolved, That the expenses of the Treasurer in going to and from the Convention, be paid out of the Treasury of the Diocese.—*Passed Sept.* 1841.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the several members of the Church in this Diocese to adopt the plan of systematic charity recommended by St. Paul, to lay by in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them, for this, and other benevolent objects.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of this Diocese, that united prayer be offered at stated monthly meetings for the extension and success of missions.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, 1. That a sermon on the claims of the Holy Ministry upon young men be preached annually before this Convention, at such time and by such clergyman as the Bishop shall appoint.

Resolved, 2. That the Clergy of this Diocese be recommended to bring before their congregations at least once a year the claims of the ministry upon young men, and at the same time pressing upon the people the claims of those young men for support while pursuing their studies preparatory to the work of the ministry.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the duty of the catechetical instruction of the baptized children of the Church is one which ought to receive the diligent attention of every parochial clergyman in the Diocese.—*Passed September*, 1842.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is the solemn duty of every *true and consistent Protestant Episcopal Churchman*, to oppose, in every appropriate position, and by all proper means, all the essential and distinguishing features of that system of error which is known by the name "Tractarianism."—*Passed September*, 1847.

Resolved, 1. That it be earnestly recommended to every parish in the Diocese, where it has not already been done, to adopt some plan of regular, stated, systematic contribution for missionary objects.

Resolved, 2. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to make a remittance to the Missionary and Education Committee, at least once a quarter, say on the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

Resolved, 3. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to forward all moneys collected for domestic missions to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, with the understanding that if there should be more than enough to supply the wants of the Diocese, the surplus shall be forwarded by the committee to the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic committee in New York.

Resolved, 4. That it be recommended to individuals and parishes, as far as practicable, to assume the support of beneficiaries preparatory to the work of the Holy Ministry.—*Passed September*, 1847.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be instructed to pay the Secretary of its Convention fifty dollars annually, as a remuneration for the discharge of the duties of his office.—*Passed September*, 1847, *but never acted upon.*

Resolved, That this Convention do recommend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese; and the several members, both clerical and lay, are requested to use their exertions to increase its circulation.—*Passed Oct.* 1849.

Resolved, That hereafter the Clerical Reports, in addition to the other statistics, give the names of the Wardens of each Parish for the time being.—*Passed September*, 1850.

Whereas, it seems to this Convention both just and expedient that it should do *all it can* for the permanent and efficient promotion and well-being of the only Educational Institution of the Diocese—Kenyon College; Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we deeply feel, and sincerely deplore the spirit of apathy that has evidently rested upon the minds of too many to whom the Institution has a right to look for warm approval and vigorous aid.

Resolved, 2. That under its present regimen, we believe that our educational wants, as a denomination, can be fully met, and our just wishes consummated.

Resolved, 3. That the Clergy of this Diocese do renewedly pledge themselves to each other, and to the authorities of Kenyon College, that, under the blessing of Heaven, and with the counsel of their respected Diocesan, they will make all laudable exertions for the accomplishment of the end herein proposed.

Resolved, 4. That the hearty coöperation of every layman, especially those whose ample pecuniary means and advantageous position in society evidently give them peculiar ability, is respectfully solicited.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Resolved, 1. That it is the duty of each baptized person in the Church to contribute towards the support and extension of Diocesan Missions and Education.

Resolved, 2. That the Rectors and Ministers of the Parishes of this Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested, within a reasonable time after adjournment, in person or by others, to call upon all the members of their congregations to contribute statedly, according to their ability, to this object.

Resolved, 3. That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to introduce the plan of weekly contributions to Diocesan Missions, according to the Scriptural requirement.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to bring forward the arrearages due the Bishop, in his current account, from year to year, but to state the amount of arrearages, and when such arrearages accrued, and add the interest thereon.—*Passed September*, 1851.

Canons of the General Convention,

RELATIVE TO

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, LAY READERS, DEACONS, PRESBYTERS, STANDING COMMITTEES, DISCIPLINE, AND OTHER MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

CANON VI, OF 1847.—*Of Candidates for Orders.*

SECTION 1. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese. No person who has previously applied for admission as a Candidate in any Diocese and has been refused admission, or, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, shall be admitted as a Candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate, declaring the cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a Candidate.

SECTION 2. No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the Ministry, to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above, from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter, and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECTION 3. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some University or College, or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament and the Latin Tongue.

SECTION 4. When a person applying to be admitted a Candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew Languages, and other branches of learning not strictly Ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate, until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted the dispensation. And in regard to the knowledge of the Hebrew Language, in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation.

SECTION 5. With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the Candidate, that the Church expects of him—what never can be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD; a love of religion, and a sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.

SECTION 6. The requisitions of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for *that purpose*, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any

Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECTION 7. If, after obtaining the canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECTION 8. A Candidate for Orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be transferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop of this Church; and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the Candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECTION 9. If any Candidate for Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have the first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third examination held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECTION 10. A person desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or Ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

CANON VII, OF 1838.—*Concerning Candidates for Orders in this Church, who have been Ministers, Licentiates, or Students of Theology, among other Religious Denominations.*

SECTION 1. All persons seeking admission to the Ministry of this Church, are to be regarded as Candidates for Holy Orders.

SECTION 2. When a person who, not having had Episcopal ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides; or if he resides in a State or Territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to the Missionary Bishop within whose jurisdiction he resides; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church: and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire.

SECTION 3. If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall think proper to proceed, the party applying to be received as a Candidate shall produce to the Standing Committee the same testimonials of literary qualifications as are required of all other Candidates; and also a testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he came, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, in part of the denomination from which he came, and in part Episcopalians, satisfactory to the Committee, that the applicant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and also, a testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, that they believe him to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Church. The Standing Committee being satisfied on these points, may recommend him to the Bishop to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, or in a vacant Diocese the Standing Committee may so receive him.

SECTION 4. Candidates admitted as above may, at the expiration of a period not less than six months, be ordained, on their passing the same examinations *as other* Candidates for Deacons' Orders; and in the examinations, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence they come *differs* from this Church, with a view of testing their information and soundness *in the* same; and also to the ascertaining that they are adequately acquainted

with the Liturgy and Offices of this Church; *Provided*, that in their case the testimonials shall be required to cover only the time since their admission as Candidates for Orders; and *Provided also*, that the provisions of the Canon concerning Candidates for Orders, as far as the same relates to the age of the person to whom the dispensation may be granted, and the mode and restrictions in and under which the same may be granted, shall apply to the persons mentioned in this Canon.

SECTION 5. Every candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination, who applies to be received as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, may be allowed by the Bishop with the consent of the members of the Standing Committee, the period of time during which he has been a student of theology, or Candidate in such other denomination; *Provided*, the time so allowed does not exceed two years.

SECTION 6. When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

CANON X, OF 1832.—*Of the conduct required in Candidates for Orders.*

The Bishop or other ecclesiastical authority who may have the superintendence of Candidates for Orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently, and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the holy Ministry.

CANON XI, OF 1832.—*Of Candidates for Orders who are Lay Readers.*

No Candidate for holy Orders shall take upon himself to perform the service of the Church, but by a license from the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, from the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the diocese, in which such Candidate may wish to perform the service. And such Candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop or said clerical members may prescribe; he shall not use the absolution or benediction; he shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the congregation; and shall officiate from the desk only; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop or said clerical members, as to the sermons or homilies to be read; nor shall any lay reader deliver sermons of his own composition; nor, except in cases of extraordinary emergency, or very peculiar expediency, perform any part of the service, when a Clergyman is present in the congregation.

ANON VI, OF 1838.—*Candidates for Orders Ineligible to the General Convention.*

No person who is a Candidate for holy Orders in this Church, shall be permitted to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a lay Deputy to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

CANON VIII, OF 1832.—*Of the age of those who are to be Ordained or Consecrated.*

Deacon's orders shall not be conferred on any person until he shall be twenty-one years old, nor Priest's orders on any one until he shall be twenty-four years old. And no Deacon shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall have been a Deacon one year, except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.

CANON V, OF 1838.—*Of the Learning of those who are to be ordained.*

SECTION 1. No person shall be ordained in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and the Presbyters by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures, can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek, is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue, and that he hath a competent knowledge of natural and moral philosophy, and Church history, and hath paid attention to composition and pulpit eloquence, as means of giving additional efficacy to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of such

other qualifications for the Gospel Ministry as are set forth in Section 4 of Canon IV. The dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, to be regarded as in Canon IV. (Now Canon VI of 1847.)

CANON XV, OF 1832.—*Of the Testimonials to be produced on the part of those who are to be Ordained.*

SECTION 1. No person shall be ordained Deacon or Priest in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop the following testimonials from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which recommendation shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

SECTION 2. But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any Candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such Candidate shall produce from the Minister and vestry of the parish where he resides, or from the vestry alone, if the parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the parish, (a Deacon desirous of Priest's orders,) or if there be no vestry, from at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the following form:

"We, whose names are hereunto written, do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord, ——."

He shall also lay before the Standing Committee testimonials, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:

"I do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and has not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

SECTION 3. But in case a Candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, should be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and vestry of the parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the Candidate for at least one year.

SECTION 4. Every Candidate for holy orders, who may be recommended by the Standing Committee of any Church destitute of a Bishop, if he have resided for the greater part of the three years last past within the Diocese of any Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination. And such Candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

SECTION 5. In the case of a Candidate for Priest's orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portions only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's orders as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonials in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form above prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained Deacon.

CANON XII, OF 1832.—*Of Candidates who may be refused Orders.*

No Bishop shall ordain any Candidate, until he has inquired of him whether he has ever, directly or indirectly, applied for orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the Candidate has been refused orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, to know whether any just cause exists why the Candidate should not be ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any Candidate for orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

CANON V, OF 1841.—*Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.*

SECTION 1. There shall be assigned to every candidate for deacon's orders, three different examinations, at such times and places as the bishop to whom he applies for orders, shall appoint. The examinations shall take place in the presence of the bishop and two or more presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the canons, and by the course of study established by the house of bishops. At the first examination, on the books of scripture; the candidate being required to give an account of the different books, and to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the second examination, on the evidences of Christianity and systematic divinity. And at the last examination, on church history, ecclesiastical polity and the book of common prayer, and the constitution and canons of the church, and of the diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the house of bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a sermon or discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of scripture previously assigned him, which, together with two other sermons or discourses, on some passages of scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the bishop and clergy present. And before his ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the bishop and clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the church, and in delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion.

SECTION 2. The bishop may appoint some of his presbyters to conduct the above examinations; and a certificate from these presbyters, that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, shall be required of the candidate: *Provided*, that in this case, the candidate shall, before his ordination, be examined by the bishop, and two or more presbyters, on the above named studies.

SECTION 3. In a diocese where there is no bishop, the standing committee shall act in his place, in appointing the examining presbyters required by this canon; and in this case the candidate shall be again examined by the bishop to whom he applies for orders, and two or more presbyters, on the studies prescribed by the canons.

SECTION 4. A clergyman who presents a person to the bishop for orders, as specified in the office of ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

CANON V, Of 1847.—*Of a Discretion to be allowed in the Calling, Trial and Examination of Deacons in certain cases.*

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for any bishop, upon being requested so to do by a resolution of the convention of his diocese, to admit to the holy order of deacons, persons not tried and examined, as prescribed in the canons "Of Candidates for Orders," "Of the Learning of those who are to be ordained," and "Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders," under the following limitations and restrictions, viz :—

1. Every such person shall have attained the full age of twenty-four years.
2. He shall have presented to the bishop the certificate from the standing committee, required by section 2 of the canon "Of Candidates for Orders."
3. He shall have remained a candidate for orders at least one year from the date of such testimonials.
4. He shall have presented to the bishop a testimonial from at least one rector of a parish, signifying a belief that the person so applying is well qualified to minister in the office of a deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of his church.
5. He shall have been examined by the bishop and at least two presbyters

on his fitness for the ministrations declared in the ordinal to appertain to the office of a deacon.

SECTION 2. A deacon ordained under this canon, shall not be allowed to take charge of a parish.

SECTION 3. In every parish in which a deacon, ordained under this canon, shall officiate, he shall be subject to the direction of the rector of the parish, so long as therein resident, and officiating with the approbation of the bishop.

SECTION 4. A deacon ordained under this canon shall not be transferable to another diocese without the request of the bishop to whom he is to be transferred, given in writing to the bishop to whose jurisdiction he belongs.

SECTION 5. A deacon ordained under this canon shall not be ordained to the priesthood, without first going through all the preparatory exercises of a candidate for deacon's orders, as required by the canon thereto relating, in addition to those required of a candidate for priest's orders, nor without presenting all the testimonials required by the canon of testimonials, to be produced on the part of those who are to be ordained.

SECTION 6. In all respects not provided for by this canon, the deacons who shall be ordained under it, shall be under the same direction and control as other deacons.

CANON XVII, OF 1832.—*Of Deacons.*

Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulations of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is ordained, unless he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop or ecclesiastiacal authority of some other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a Clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop or the said clerical members may direct. It is hereby recommended that at the time a Candidate is finally examined for Deacon's orders, the Bishop shall assign to him in writing the subjects or studies on which it is expedient that he should be particularly examined before being ordained Priest; and with that view name also some author who has treated of such subjects or studies, from among the works recommended by the House of Bishops. And the said Deacon shall deliver this document to the Bishop who examines him for Priest's orders.

CANON XVIII, OF 1832.—*Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.*

A candidate for priest's orders shall, before his ordination, be required to undergo an examination in presence of the bishop, and two or more presbyters, to be named by him on any leading studies prescribed by the house of bishops.

CANON XIX, OF 1832.—*Of the titles of those who are to be ordained Priests.*

No person shall be ordained priest, unless he shall produce to the bishop a satisfactory certificate from some church, parish or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister, or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the general convention; or, unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated.

CANON XXX, OF 1832.—*Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.*

SECTION 1. It is hereby required, that on the election of a minister into any church or parish, the vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered to the bishop, or where there is no bishop, to the standing committee of the diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

"We, the churchwardens, (or, *in case of an assistant minister*, We, the rector and churchwardens,) do certify to the Right Rev. [*naming the bishop,*] or to the Rev. [*naming the president of the standing committee,*] that, [*naming the person,*] has been duly chosen rector, [*or* assistant minister, *as the case may be,*] of [*naming the parish, or church, or churches.*"]

Which certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

SECTION 2. And if the bishop or the standing committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified minister of this church, the bishop, or the president of the standing committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the secretary of the convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

SECTION 3. But if the bishop or the standing committee be not satisfied as above, he or they shall, at the instance of the parties, proceed to inquire into the sufficiency of the person so chosen, according to such rules as may be made in the respective dioceses, and shall confirm or reject the appointment, as the issue of that inquiry may be.

SECTION 4. And if the minister be a presbyter, the bishop or president of the standing committee may, at the instance of the vestry, proceed to have him instituted, according to the office established by this church, if that office be used in the diocese. But if he be a deacon, the act of institution shall not take place till after he shall have received priest's orders. This provision concerning the use of the office of institution, is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.

CANON XXVIII, OF 1832.—*Of Parochial Instruction.*

The ministers of this church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism. but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the doctrines, constitution and liturgy of the church.

CANON XXIX, OF 1832.—*Of the Duty of Ministers to keep a Register.*

SECTION 1. Every minister of this church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the convention of the diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided. then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

And the intention of the register of baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of church membership of those who may have been admitted into this church by the holy ordinance of baptism.

SECTION 2. And further, every minister of this church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure; to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future minister in the same parish.

CANON VIII, OF 1841.—*Of the mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.*

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered, that every minister of this church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual convention, to the bishop of the diocese, or, where there is no bishop, to the president of the convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman, not regularly settled in any parish or church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the bishop shall think fit, may be read in convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

CANON XXVI, OF 1832.—*Of the Duty of Ministers in regard to Episcopal Visitations.*

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of confirmation. And on notice being received from the bishop, of his intention to visit any church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners individually, as opportunity may offer, and also to the congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present, for confirmation, such persons as he shall think properly qualified; and shall deliver to the bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

SECTION 2. And at every visitation, it shall be the duty of the minister, and of the churchwardens or vestry, to give information to the bishop, of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

SECTION 3. And further, the ministers and churchwardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the

bishop, at the stated meeting of the convention of the diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the convention.

CANON XLV, OF 1832.—*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.*

Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church. And in performing said service, no other prayer shall be used than those prescribed by the said book.

CANON LII, OF 1832.—*Of the Alms and Contributions at the Holy Communion.*

The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion, shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

CANON XXXI, OF 1832.—*Of the Officiating of Ministers of this Church in the Churches, or within the Parochial Cures of other Clergymen.*

No Clergyman belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the parish or within the parochial cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation. Where parish boundaries are not defined by law or otherwise, each city, borough, village, town, or township, in which there is one Protestant Episcopal Church or Congregation, or more than one such Church or Congregation, shall be held, for all the purposes of this Canon, to be the parish or parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Clergyman or Clergymen having charge of said Church or Churches, Congregation or Congregations. But if any Minister of a Church shall, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services to his Congregation, and shall refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of this Church to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect and refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And in case of such a vicinity of two or more Churches, as that there can be no local boundaries drawn between their respective cures or parishes, it is hereby ordained, that in every such case, no Minister of this Church, other than the parochial Clergy of said cures, shall preach within the common limits of the same, in any other place than in one of the Churches thereof, without the consent of the major number of the parochial Clergy of the said Churches.

CANON XXXIII, OF 1832.—*Of the Dissolution of all Pastoral Connection between Ministers and their Congregations.*

SECTION 1. When any minister has been regularly instituted or settled in a parish or church, he shall not be dismissed without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese; and in case of his dismission without such concurrence, the vestry or congregation of such parish or church, shall have no right to a representation in the convention of the diocese, until they have made such satisfaction as the convention may require. Nor shall any minister leave his congregation against their will, without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority aforesaid; and if he shall leave them without such concurrence, he shall not be allowed to take a seat in any convention of this church, or be eligible into any church or parish, until he shall have made such satisfaction as the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese may require.

SECTION 2. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a minister and his congregation, the bishop, or, if there be no bishop, the standing committee, shall direct the secretary of the convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connection between any minister and his congregation be not regular or canonical, the bishop or standing committee shall lay the same before the convention of the diocese, in order that the above mentioned penalties may take effect.

This canon shall not be obligatory upon those dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters, it interferes.

CANON II, OF 1841.—*Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.*

When a Clergyman has been absent from his Diocese during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare in writing the cause, or causes, of his absence; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if these are deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or, until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or, until he shall renounce the Ministry, according to Canon XXXVIII. of 1832. In the case of such suspension, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

CANON IV, OF 1844.—*Of Ministers Removing from one Diocese to another.*

SECTION 1. No minister removing from one diocese to another, or coming from any other state or territory which may not have acceded to the constitution of this church, shall be received as a stated officiating minister by any parish of this church, until he shall have presented to the vestry thereof, a certificate from the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese to which said parish belongs, approving him as a clergyman in regular standing. And in order to obtain such certificate, every minister desiring to change his canonical residence, shall lay before the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese in which he designs to reside, a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese in which he has last resided, in the following form, viz :—

"I do hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transfered to the diocese of ——, is a presbyter (or deacon) of this diocese, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life during the three years last past."

When the ecclesiastical authority think proper, further statements may be added to the above letter.

SECTION 2. But in case the minister desiring to be transferred, has been subjected to inquiry of presentment on any charge or charges of misconduct, thereby rendering the terms of the aforesaid testimonial inadmissible, he may nevertheless be transferred, if the charges have been withdrawn with the approbation of the ecclesiastical authority, or if he have been acquitted upon trial, or if he have been censured or suspended, and the sentence has had its course so that he has been restored to the regular discharge of his official duties. And in all such cases, the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese concerned, shall, instead of the foregoing testimonial, certify to a statement of the facts, with as much detail as may be necessary to inform the ecclesiastical authority to which he desires to be transferred, of the true standing of the party.

SECTION 3. No clergyman, canonically under the jurisdiction of any diocese of this church, shall be considered as having passed from under such jurisdiction to that of any foreign bishop, or in any way ceased to be amenable to the laws of this church until he shall have taken from the bishop, with whose diocese he was last connected in this church, or from the standing committee of such diocese, if it have no bishop, the letter provided for in section 1, of this canon, and until the same shall have been accepted by some other bishop, either of this or some other church.

SECTION 4. The ecclesiastical authority, in all cases under this canon, is to be understood to refer to the bishop of the diocese, or in case there be no bishop, to the majority of the clerical members of the standing committee, duly convened. And if the clergyman desiring to be received come from a state or territory not in connection with this church, and having no convention, then the above testimonial or statement shall be signed by at least three presbyters of this church. Nor shall any minister so removing be acknowledged by any bishop or convention as a minister of the church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial or statement.

SECTION 5. The above testimonial or letter of dismission shall not affect the canonical residence of the minister receiving it until he shall be received into some other diocese by the bishop or ecclesiastical authority thereof. And if the clergyman to whom the letters of dismission are given shall not present them to the bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom they are directed, within three months from the date thereof, if designed for the United States, and within six months from the date thereof, if designed for the church in a foreign country, *the letters may* be considered null and void by the said bishop or eccle-

siastical authority; and *shall* be null and void if not presented as above, in six months after date, if intended for this country, and in twelve months after date if intended for a foreign country.

CANON XXXVI, OF 1832.—*Of the Officiating of Persons not Ministers of this Church.*

No person shall be permitted to officiate in any congregation of this Church, without first producing the evidences of his being a Minister thereof to the Minister, or, in case of vacancy or absence, to the churchwardens, vestrymen, or trustees of the congregation.

CANON XLI, OF 1832.—*Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.*

All persons within this church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON XLII, OF 1832.—*Of Crimes and Scandals to be Censured.*

SECTION 1. If any persons within this church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the holy communion, agreeably to the rubric.

SECTION 2. There being the provision in the second rubric before the communion service, requiring that every minister repelling from the communion shall give an account of the same to the ordinary; it is hereby provided, that on the information to the effect stated being laid before the ordinary, that is, the bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the bishop, unless he thinks fit to restore him, from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the canons of the diocese in which the event has taken place. And the notice given as above by the minister, shall be sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

SECTION 3. In the case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this church, they may be proceeded against, to the depriving them of all privileges of church membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the general convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different state conventions.

CANON IV, OF 1832.—*Of Standing Committees.*

SECTION 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment, from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

SECTION 2. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

SECTION 3. Where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the ecclesiastical authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

The Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio will be holden in Grace Church, Sandusky City, on Wednesday, September 27th, A.D. 1854, commencing (by appointment of the Bishop) at 7 o'clock, p. m.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH, *Secretary.*

COLUMBUS, October, 1853.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF

THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF

OF THE

Widows & Children of Deceased Clergymen

OF THE

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WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' SOCIETY.

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, was holden in St. Peter's Church, Delaware, on the morning of September 16th, 1853. The Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, ex officio President of the Society, being absent, the Rev. Dr. Burr was called to the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary submitted his Annual Report, which, on motion, was accepted:

Secretary's Eighth Annual Report.

By the blessing of Almighty God our Society has reached the end of the eighth year of its existence. The amount of its funds at the close of the last year, according to the Report of the Treasurer, was as follows: Notes, (chiefly premium notes not bearing interest), Bonds, Bank Stock, $5,319.71; Cash on hand, $397.33. Sum total, $5,-717.04. The funds now amount, according to the Treasurer's report about to be submitted, to the sum of $5,250.63, in notes, obligations, and securities, and $1,221.51 in cash. Total, $6,472.14, showing an aggregate increase during the year which has just expired, of $755.10, which exceeds that of the previous year by $167.20.

Since the last report, five new members have been added to the Society, viz: Rev. Messrs. J. W. Clark, Lawson Carter, M. R. Jukes, D. A. Tyng, and Wm. Sparrow, D.D. One member has withdrawn, viz: Rev. K. J. Stewart, whose premium note has consequently been surrendered. We are no longer able to say, as in former reports, that death has not entered our little circle of members. During the past year, two of our number have been called to exchange this world for another, and we doubt not a better world. One of these is the Rev. Abraham Bronson, who, after a long and faithful service for Christ and his Church, in the calm and quiet sunset of life sank peacefully into his grave. The other is the Rev. Alexander F. Dobb, who, ere he had reached the meridian of life, by the hand of a mysterious Providence has been suddenly snatched away from his bereaved family and parish, in the midst of his activity and usefulness. The former left no widow *or child within* the ages prescribed by the Fundamental Laws to

inherit an annuity. The Society will, therefore, in this case have none to pay. Mr. Bronson's premium note however has been canceled. The surviving family of the latter will be entitled to an annuity of $75.00, according to the provisions of the Fundamental Laws. This annuity will fall due in one year from Mr. Dobb's death, which occurred in August last.

The present number of members is 65.

Contributions have been received since the last annual report from the following churches, viz:

St. Paul's, Cincinnati, (twice), Christ ch., Cincinnati, Trinity ch., Cincinnati, Christ ch., Dayton, St. James', Zanesville, St. John's, Worthington, St. Paul's, Medina, St. Peter's, Delaware, St. Paul's, Norwalk, St. James', Piqua, Zion ch., Dresden, St. Matthew's, Madison, Christ ch., Franklin Mills, St. John's, Ohio City, Sunday School of Christ ch., Warren, Grace ch., Sandusky City, Trinity ch., Newark, Grace ch., Pomeroy, St. John's, Troy, (N. Y.) St. Paul's, Chillicothe, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, St. Philip's, Circleville, St. James', Cross Creek, St. John's, East Springfield, Grace ch., Mansfield, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Epiphany ch., Urbana. Total 27, which is an increase of *five* on the previous year.

The whole amount of receipts from this source, including the Annual Collection at the Convention in St. Paul's, Chillicothe, is $398.99, which exceeds that of any former year, from this source by $59,97.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

MOUNT VERNON, Sept. 12, 1853.

The Treasurer's Report was then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, accepted.

The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were duly reëlected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., President, *(ex officio.)*

Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Secretary.

GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Treasurer.

The Society then, on motion, adjourned *sine die.*

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society, in account with GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

1852.	Cr.	NOTES, ETC.	CASH.
Sept.	By balance as per last report, - - - - -	$5,319 71	$397 38
	By collection St. Paul's church, Cincinnati, $19; Christ church, Dayton, $10; St. James'. Zanesville. $25; St. John's, Worthington, $7 07; St. Paul's, Medina, $10; St. Peter's, Delaware, $10; Christ church, Cincinnati, $94 32; St. Paul's, Norwalk, $20; St. James, Piqua, $10; Zion, Dresden, $2; St. Matthew's, Madison, $2; Christ church, Franklin Mills, $3; St. John's, Ohio City, $10; children of Christ church Sabbath School, Warren, $5 51; Grace church, Sandusky City, $15; Trinity church, Newark, $7; Grace church, Pomeroy, $3 36; at Convention, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, $38 02, - - - - - - - -		291 28
	Rev. N. Badger, note and interest, $3 18; W. A. Smallwood, $3; C. B. Stout, $3; L. L. Holden, $3; R. S. Nash, $3 05; A. Bronson, $3; E. Burr, $3; W. R. Nicholson, $3; A. Blake, $3; E. H. Cumming, $3; G. W. DuBois, $3; G. Thompson, $3; J. L. Bryan, $3; H. N. Bishop, $3; T. B. Dooley, $3; - -		45 23
	J. W. Clark, - - - - - - - - - -	50 00	3 00
	Lawson Carter, - - - - - - - - - -	50 00	3 00
	M. R. Jukes, - - - - - - - - -	50 00	3 00
	D. A. Tyng, - - - - - - - - - -	50 00	3 00
	By interest on E. Burr's order on Dr. Wood, -		1 49
Jan.	By interest on Knox Co. Bonds, - - - - -		102 00
1853.	By dividend on Mechanic's Bank stock, - - -		9 90
	By Rev. I. Morse's premium note, - - - -	50 00	
	By interest on Mississippi and Milwaukee R. R. Bond,		50 00
Feb.	Collection, St. John's church, Troy, - - -		18 00
	Rev. E. Lounsbery, $3; R. B. Claxton, $3; A. F. Dobb, $3; A. Guion, $3; Ab. Wheeler, $6; W. W. Arnett, $10; J. Ufford, $5; - - - - - - - -		33 00
March	Collection, Trinity church, Cincinnati, $6; G. Denison, $3; R. K. Meade, $6 36; E. Boyden, $3; M. T. C. Wing, $3; T. M. Smith, $3; J. T. Brooke, $3 18; E. H. Canfield, $3 30; G. D. Gillespie, $3, - - -		33 84
June.	Collection, St. Paul's church, Chillicothe, $15; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, $6; S. A. Bronson, $3 10; Grace church, Sandusky City, 90 cents; A. Clark, $3; E. A. Strong, $5; H. Blackaller, $3; - -		36 00
	Rev. Dr. Sparrow, - - - - - - - -	50 00	3 00
July.	Interest on Mississippi and Milwaukee R. R. Bond, -		50 00
Sept.	Collection, St. Paul's church, Cincinnati, $30; St. Philip's, Circleville, $6 42; St. James', Cross Creek, $4; St. John's, East Springfield, $2 21; Grace church, Mansfield, $5; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, $9 18, -		56 81
	Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, $3; H. Payne, $3 36, - -		6 36
	By Harcourt Parish, accepted order, $32; int. $3 60,		35 60
	Rev. A. Guion, $3; H. N. Bishop, $3; - - - -		6 00
	Collection, Epiphany church, Urbana, $5; Rev. J. Swan, $3, - - - - - - - - -		8 00
	By interest on temporary loans, - - - - -		42 28
		$5,619 71	$1238 12
		369 08	16 61
	Balance in Treasury to new account, - -	$5,250 63	$1221 51

(*Over.*)

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

1852.	DR.	NOTES, ETC.	CASH.
Sept.	To J. W. Clark, off premium note,	$19 00	
	N. Badger, note given up,	3 00	
	J. B. Britton, off premium note,	7 00	
	W. A. Smallwood, balance of premium note given up,	25 00	
	W. C. French, off premium note,	4 07	
	G. S. Davis, "	7 00	
	J. McElroy, "	10 00	
	Bishop McIlvaine premium note given up,	50 00	
	Ed. Winthrop, off premium note,	17 00	
	A. T. McMurphey, "	1 00	
	L. Burton, "	7 00	
	F. B. Nash, "	6 91	
	Exchange on draft,		47
	City Bank, Hartford, Ct., counterfeit,		5 00
	Postages, envelopes, &c.,		48
Feb.	K. J. Stewart, premium note given up,	50 00	
1853.	John Ufford, off premium note, $1 84; W. W. Arnett, do. 67 cents,	2 51	
March	Ed. Lounsbery, balance of premium note given up,	13 20	
	R. Gray, off premium note,	3 00	
	Sundry postages per Dr. Muenscher,		1 14
June	Cash paid for printing Report,		6 00
	L. N. Freeman, off premium note,	12 00	
Sept.	Sundry postages,		24
	J. W. Clark, off premium note,	30 00	
	H. Hollis, "	3 21	
	H. Blackaller, "	5 00	
	J. Muenscher, "	6 18	
	Harcourt Parish, order paid,	32 00	
	Cash for printing blanks,		3 00
	Sundry postages,		28
	Abr. Bronson, premium note canceled,	50 00	
	C. B. Stout, off premium note,	5 00	
		$369 08	$16 61

The following sums were received during Convention, after the foregoing report was closed:

Parochial Collections—St. Paul's church, Medina, $10; Christ church, Dayton, $5; St. Peter's, Delaware, $6; St. John's, Worthington, $9; St. James, Piqua, $14; St. James', Boardman, $5 15; St. Stephen's, Canfield, $4 25; Zion church, Dresden, $2; St. Matthews, Madison, $2; St. Andrews', Elyria, $9; Trinity, Troy, $3 10; St. Paul's, Norwalk, $3; St. John's, Ohio City, $11 37; Grace, Pomeroy, $4 59; St. Peter's, Delaware, at Convention, $59 23

From Members—H. B Wallbridge, $6 40; G. B. Perry, $3; J. L. Bryan, $3; W. R. Nicholson, $3; E. H. Cumming, $3; C. B. Stout, $3; J. McElroy, $3 10; M. R. Jukes, $3; C. C. Townsend, $3; C. W. Fitch, $3; R. B. Claxton, $3; C. S. Doolittle, $3; L. L. Holden, $3; L. Carter, $3; E. Burr, $3; A. Blake, $3; E. A. Strong, $1; A. Phelps, $3; I. Morse, $3; J. E. Ryan, $3; J. T. Brooke, $3; R. S. Nash, $3; G. W. DuBois, $3.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for $50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of $3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note ($50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, ($75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, ($100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and *two or more* children, the widow shall have one-third du-

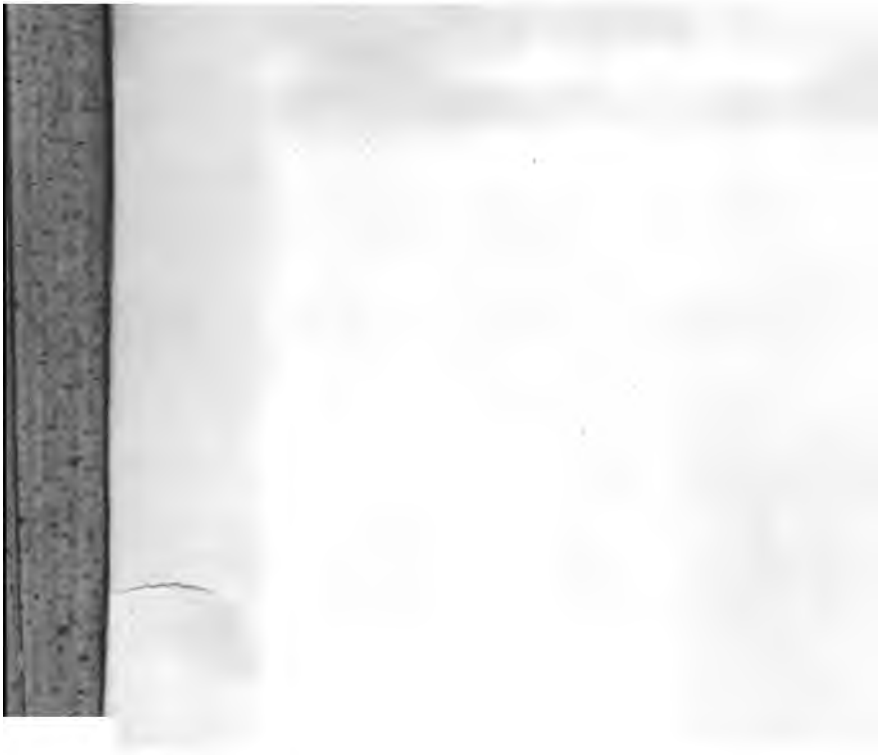
ring her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years if a male, or twenty-five if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow if she be alive and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The anuual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex-officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.